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The children who join RotaKids meet regularly to carry out service projects to benefit their community and their school.

The RotaKids of Y Bont Faen Primary School, led by teacher Katie Williams, have been producing posters for school fundraising events and helping with collections for a food bank.

They also visited Longmeadow Court sheltered housing and discussed their work with the residents.

These activities have been recognised by the prestigious award of a Presidential Citation by the President of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.

The award was presented to the members of RotaKids by Cowbridge Rotary President, David Harris, at a recent school assembly.

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CATS PROTECTION SHOP OPENS ITS DOORS ON FRIDAY

A CATS Protection shop opens at 10am in Cowbridge on Friday, June 22 at 87 Eastgate.

There will be a variety of items available including second-hand clothes, accessories and cat-related products.

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Ignorant people don't know how to behave in cinemas...

I WOULD like to congratulate The GEM's Gareth Jamieson for his fortitude in attending the cinema on a regular basis for his Screen Talk film reviews.

I will be relying on Mr Jamieson's column to keep me updated in future, as my husband has refused to make any further family cinema trips after a disappointing experience at the weekend.

Not the film – it was really enjoyable. Less so were the other people who had come to do their utmost to disrupt the screening.

Everyone paid hard-earned cash to see the latest blockbuster, so why do people insist on talking incessantly throughout?

Worse still were the people sitting next to us who spent most of the time on their mobile phones ignoring the film, despite being politely asked not to do so as it was distracting.

One woman appeared to be having a full-blown picnic, constantly venturing into her bag to retrieve all manner of noisy goodies, including crisps, crunchy biscuits, tightly-wrapped sweets and made sure that she slurped every last molecule of her drink through her straw to get her money's worth.

I hope that the young children, who needed every plot twist loudly explained to them by their parents, didn't suffer from nightmares after witnessing on-screen content that was inappropriate for them.

There were no members of staff monitoring behaviour in the cinema – but it's not their job to do so.

None of these people seemed the slightest bit interested in the action on-screen, so why bother spending money on a ticket when they could have stayed at home and been as anti-social as they liked?

I go to the cinema fairly often and it is increasingly obvious that people are unaware how to behave in a manner that doesn't offend others.

C Bailey, St Athan.

Future of primary school could affect communities

IT'S a shame Cllr Bob Penrose chose not to comment in last week's GEM on concerns over the second consultation about the future of Llancarfan Primary School.

Perhaps the story hit a nerve because the absurdity of council plans to 'transfer' the school to Rhoose is plain enough for anyone prepared to see it.

Maybe the problem is that 'there are none so blind as those that will not see'.

So let's consider the issue another way for the Sully councillor.

Moving Llancarfan Primary School over five miles to a new housing estate on the edge of Rhoose is the equivalent of relocating Sully Primary School to a new development in Cogan.

The council's proposal for Llancarfan is to build the new school within half a mile of Rhws Primary.

In our parallel example that would mean opening the new Sully Primary on Cogan Primary's doorstep.

The council plans to double the size of Llancarfan Primary and change the catchment area, so the same logic would also apply to the imagined new site of Sully Primary in Cogan.

In both scenarios the original school name will remain the same, despite there being no school in Llancarfan or Sully after 'transfer'.

My hunch is that the people of Sully and Cogan would rightfully question whether this was a simple transfer or if it was, in fact, a rebranded school closure likely to divide and irreparably damage the communities affected.

Under those circumstances I doubt if Cllr Penrose would be as wilfully blind to the proposal's shortcomings or as guarded in his public comments.

Jim Barratt, Llancarfan.

ONLY TIME WILL TELL...

THERE are distinct similarities to the Hinkley Point mud dump off Cardiff Bay and the Ariva Incinerator at Barry Waterfront.

Both companies insist their proposals are safe for our health and the environment – of course, they would.

However, Hinkley's radioactive mud has not been thoroughly tested for uranium or plutonium, which if ingested, can cause cancer, though EDF state there is "no scientific basis for additional reports".

An independent expert, Tim Deere-Jones, has concerns, so do CEFAS, the world leader in marine science.

The incinerator, on the other hand, hasn't even begun testing the woodburning and will not be fully operational until the end of the year, yet they both received planning permission and a licence without providing full Environmental Impact Assessments.

How can there be surety that both Hinkley and Biomass will not degrade the Welsh coastal environment or the health and welfare of its population?

Only time will tell!

T Abery, Barry.

LIES, DAMN LIES...

I THINK everyone is pretty cynical about how statistics are used these days, but I hope The GEM will not mind me pointing out an unusual case where one set of dodgy stats originally quoted in this newspaper is now being used by another group for a totally different purpose.

It was harmless at first, and it came about when Bridgend Railway Station was revamped. The press release printed in The GEM said that '1.5 million passengers a year pass through the station'.

Now, Bridgend is not that big a station, so I was surprised. At first, I thought someone was counting people taking a train to Swansea from Cardiff, not stopping at Bridgend, but I thought no PR man or PR woman would have the nerve to try that.

However, thinking it through the numbers became easier to understand. Let's take one commuter working in Swansea or Cardiff. He/she will 'pass through' the station twice a day.

Working a five-day week means 10 per week, and five weeks' holiday means 47 x 10 = 470 in a year.

All of a sudden, you don't need so many passengers to get up to that 1.5 million who 'pass through'.

So far so harmless – until the recent formation of action groups opposing the M4 to A48 link road, which aims to improve road access to the airport.

Now, the action groups have decided that one tactic is to rubbish Cardiff Airport. It might turn out to be counter-productive, but for the moment, letter writers to The GEM are presenting the airport as a costly white elephant that will never be a success, so why waste money building better roads?

So, how to rubbish the airport? Why not point out that it only handles the same number of passengers as Bridgend Railway Station? I have seen at least two pieces in The GEM quoting this 'fact'.

To a neutral observer, it seems a bit daft to make this claim. After all, Cardiff Airport Terminal Building is just a touch bigger than Bridgend's station.

The number of people who work at the airport, I suggest, is quite a bit bigger than those who work at the railway station.

What's more, although the airport is keen to capture business traffic it is pretty obvious that the vast majority of passengers are people flying off to foreign climes.

I would be interested to know if the airport counts one passenger going out to Majorca and then coming back as 'one' or 'two' passengers, but even if it's two, it's blindingly obvious that there is an enormous difference of scale between the airport and the railway station.

We tend to think that only big corporations and political parties misuse statistics, but these days, it seems that anyone will.

Name and address supplied

Hospital's excellent service should be noted

ALMOST every day we see criticism of the NHS for such things as Accident and Emergency waiting times.

I have to say that generally my contacts with the NHS in Wales over the years have been good and my visit to the Princess of Wales Hospital, Bridgend on June 14 deserves particular praise.

I cut the back of my hand by falling on a walk and could see that stitches would probably be advisable.

My wife and I arrived at A&E just after 4pm. I was triaged within five minutes. Saw a doctor within 20 minutes. Had an X-ray of my hand done within 40 minutes. Then had it stitched and dressed all within less than 90 minutes.

We were on our way home by 5.30pm. All the staff were friendly, polite and caring.

Excellent service for which the hospital and staff deserve to be congratulated.

John Andrew, Cowbridge.

Are the Vale Council anti-dog?

WELL the Vale of Glamorgan Council now appear to be completely anti-dog.

Have you seen the ridiculous proposal for banning dogs across all open public spaces?

Instead of targeting all dog owners, why don't the council focus on those who let the rest of us down.

But wait, could it be that actually it's cheaper and easier to blanket ban, then ignore the follow-on problems this kind of idiotic policy creates.

So dog owners can't walk their dogs in public open spaces or let them have a good run, so instead they walk them on the streets, those that don't clean up after them before still don't so... yes that's right we now have pathways full of dog mess!

But, also, it now becomes easy to sell off Porthkerry Park and turn it into a campsite.

Just to make this very clear, 99 per cent of dog owners are aware of the issues and clean up after their beloved pets, there is no need to punish them, instead the council would be better off looking at why do we have such poor road surfaces, why the town centre looks like a derelict building site or why the dock developers are able to leave streets/roads in such poor conditions.

J McCulloch, Barry (concerned dog owner).

Is M4 link road needed?

IN your columns, there have been reports on the issue of the new M4 link road to Sycamore Cross, Bonvilston and letters on this matter.

In the cold light of day, the Vale Council needs to address the need for such a development at all.

The Welsh Office have already passed the direction of the route for the new M4 to run from the second Severn crossing bridge down to Port Talbot years ago, and instructed the-then Land Authority For Wales to compulsory purchase the land required, giving them a budget of £400 million to do so.

The Welsh Assembly are having a consultation on that route at present.

John Steele, Vale of Glamorgan.

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HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JUNE 28)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
21 Thur	00.59	8.60	13.37	8.4
22 Fri	02.06	8.4	14.45	8.3
23 Sat	03.14	8.3	15.52	8.4
24 Sun	04.21	8.5	16.53	8.6
25 Mon	05.18	8.6	17.44	8.7
26 Tues	06.07	8.9	18.28	9.1
27 Wed	06.49	9.1	19.09	9.2
28 Thur	07.28	9.2	19.47	9.3

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Merched y Wawr Bont Faen hold barbecue celebration

ROEDD ein cyfarfod olaf am eleni yn achlysur pwysig am fod Eirwen Thomas, un o'n haelodau, yn dathlu penblwydd arbennig.

Yn ôl ein harfer, cawsom fwynhau barbeciw yng ngardd Cath a Rob Thomas yn Westgate. Yn goron ar y gwledda cawsom ddarn o deisen (a dorrwyd yn berffaith gan Eirwen) a chanu Pen-blwydd Hapus iddi. Roedd Eirwen wedi derbyn 89 o gardiau ar ei pen-blwydd a'r 90fed oedd un gelfydd iawn a roddwyd iddi ar y noson, wedi ei chynhyrchu gan Lynne Clement, a'i arwyddo gan yr aelodau.

Eirwen yn torri'r deisen/Eirwen cutting the cake.

Mae Eirwen yn un o'n haelodau ffyddlonaf ers cychwyn cangen Y Bont-faen yn 1972. Ar hyd y blynyddoedd rydym wedi elwa o'i gallu i addurno'r byrddau mewn steil pan fyddem yn gwahodd canghennau eraill i swpera gyda ni neu gynnal bore coffi.

Hi hefyd fyddai brenhines y gegin ar yr achlysuron hyn. Dymunwn iechyd a diddanwch i Eirwen ar ben-blwydd arbennig. Diolchwn i Cath a Rob am baratoi ar ein cyfer ac am eu croeso cynnes. I hwyluso'r dathlu, dyma'r tywydd gorau i ni gofio ei gael erioed ar gyfer ein barbeciw blynyddol.

Rydym yn cyfarfod ar yr ail nos Lun yn y mis. Bydd ein tymor newydd yn cychwyn nos Lun 10fed Medi am 7.30 yn y Neuadd Lai, Y Bont-faen. Croeso i chi ymuno â ni yn ein gweithgareddau difyr trwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg.

Celebration!

OUR final meeting for this year was an important occasion as Eirwen Thomas, one of our members, celebrated an important birthday.

As usual we enjoyed a barbecue in Cath and Rob Thomas' garden in Westgate. To crown the feasting we had a piece of cake (perfectly cut by Eirwen) and we sang Happy Birthday.

Eirwen had received 89 cards on her birthday and the 90th was a very fine card produced by Lynne Clement and signed by our members.

Eirwen has been one of our most loyal members since the Cowbridge branch was formed in 1972.

Over the years we have benefited from her skills in decorating the tables in style when entertaining other branches or holding charity coffee mornings.

On these occasions Eirwen would be queen of the kitchen. We wish Eirwen health and happiness on this important milestone.

We thank Cath and Rob for their usual warm hospitality. To add to the evening's enjoyment we had the best weather we can remember for our annual barbecue.

The group meets on the second Monday of the month and the new season begins on Monday, September 10 at 7.30pm in the Lesser Hall. A warm welcome is extended to all Welsh speakers and learners to join us in our activities.

News from town council

AS reported in a recent edition of The GEM, the annual meeting of the Cowbridge (Ancient Borough) with Llanblethian Town Council was held on May 22 at which Cllr Terry Williams was formally appointed Mayor and Cllr Alec Trousdell Deputy Mayor.

Since then, the Chairs of the four ommittees have been elected.

They are: Finance and General Purposes – Cllr Chris George; Leisure and Amenities – Cllr Russell Downe; Planning – Cllr Sue Cox; Town Hall – Cllr John Andrew.

These committees meet on the evenings of the first Monday and Tuesday of the month.

The next meeting of Cowbridge (Ancient Borough) with Llanblethian Town Council will be at 7pm on Tuesday, July 17.

All meetings of the Town Council are open to the public and are advertised on its notice boards and website - cowbridge-tc.gov.uk.

Minutes of meetings are available on the website.

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PLACE FOR HOMES SPONSOR CHOIR

COWBRIDGE Male Voice Choir has a new sponsor – The Place for Homes, a long-established, family-run business located at Llandow in the heart of the Vale.

The Place for Homes is Wales' largest furniture store on one floor with over 50,000 square feet of display at affordable prices.

Leon Fear, chairman of the CMVC, said: "We welcome this closer connection with The Place for Homes which can only advance the cause of both organisations. We are very grateful for the support and commitment that they are giving to the choir and we look forward to working closely with them."

Rhian Francis, managing director of The Place for Homes, said: "The Place For Homes is delighted to provide sponsorship to Cowbridge Male Voice Choir and support the historic tradition of Welsh male voice Choirs.

"We're looking forward to hosting rehearsals and concerts at our showroom in Llandow and supporting the choir in their aim to perpetuate the great Welsh tradition of male voice choral singing and enhancing their support of local charities."

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Stop all the clocks...

GEM readers may have noticed that since June, the Town Hall clock has been without hands.

In a GEM article earlier this year, it was mentioned that repairs were planned, since the clock was not keeping good time and had one hand missing. The removal of the five other hands was the first step of this repair.

Three new pairs of gilded hands as close as possible to the existing design are being manufactured and will be fitted in the next few weeks, together with a new mechanism and electronic control unit which will give automatic time correction including BST/GMT changes.

According to the inscription, the clock was presented to the town by The Right Rev Edward Coplestone, Bishop of Llandaff in 1836, which makes it older than Big Ben.

However, the mechanism is not original, having been replaced perhaps 40-50 years ago.

People may also have noticed scaffolding that has been erected on the Lesser Hall side of the Town Hall. This is to carry out repairs to the gable end fascia board and the wood behind it, which are in poor condition.

Ceri Anderson, Town Clerk, Cowbridge with Llanblethian Town Council.

COWBRIDGE ROTARY RAFFLE PRIZES HANDED OUT AT FESTIVAL

A MIGHTY £1,200 donation is winging its way to the Multiple Sclerosis Society (MS) following the success of a Cowbridge Rotary Raffle at the 2018 Cowbridge Food and Drink Festival.

With an array of donations from the exhibitors at the festival, the army of Rotary volunteers helped out with a range of activities across the two day festival, and encouraged dozens of visitors to dig deep and donate for a worthy cause and a chance to win one of three great food, drink, gift and plants hampers.

President of Cowbridge Rotary, David Harris, said the club had been overwhelmed with the generosity of the exhibitors and the festival visitors who continued buying raffle tickets right up until the last moments before the big draw.

David said: "It was an amazing all round effort. We are so immensely grateful to the many exhibitors who donated some great prizes and our Rotary members put in a tremendous effort with ticket sales.

"I take my hat off to every one of them, and I am sure I also speak on behalf of the MS Society members when I extend special thanks to all the people who tried their luck and bought tickets."

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Penllyn WI are busy bees

THE sun has finally started to shine in Wales and that has thankfully brought out the bees.

It was very opportune that Penllyn WI's speaker this month was Mavis Turney, who came to talk about her time as a beekeeper, a passion she shares with her husband.

She talked the group through the adventures that she has had in beekeeping and showed members the suit that she has to wear to keep off the bees while collecting honey.

Unfortunately, she did not have any honey as the bees have not yet produced enough to remove from the hives.

Mavis had also brought with her a special box which explained the different sections of a hive and how the bees live. There was a very lively question and answer session at the end of her talk.

This month, Porthcawl must have been surprised by the influx of ladies on June 14, when members took part in the Glamorgan Federation walk and treasure hunt.

Four of the ladies from Penllyn went along for an interesting walk and at the end were presented with a stick of rock. The questions were not too taxing and everyone managed to get the majority of them right.

Members and guests had a delightful afternoon tea to celebrate the Royal wedding and were treated to musical entertainment and a singalong.

Penllyn and District WI meet on the first Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall, Penllyn, at 7.30pm. The speaker for July is Dave Payne, who will talk about Blood Bikes Wales. New members welcome.

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Pupils shine

CONGRATULATIONS to Iwan Robinson-Booth and Lewis Kordell for gainING a place each at summer school.

Iwan will be spending a week at Cambridge University studying materials science and Lewis will spend a week at Lancaster University studying maths.

Further congratulationS to Kari Morgan who has secured a place at Bath University's summer school studying chemical engineering. Well done to all three of you.

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Local woman named 'Fundraiser of The Year'

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RIGHT: Alison Woolcock with her award – also pictured congratulating her are Oliver Lewis of Bridgend Ford and Carl and Rachel from Nation Radio's 'Big Welsh Wake Up' show. IMAGE BY CATH WIGGINS.

A BARRY woman has won the 'Fundraiser of the Year Award' for her campaign to highlight the early detection of ovarian cancer.

Alison Woolcock organised the #walkinhername event in memory of her sister Lesley and it took place on Mother's Day this year.

Alison received her award during a 'Pride in Wales' gala evening at the Vale Resort on June 14.

The awards are run by Nation Radio and the citation for Fundraiser of the Year reads: "This award pays tribute to somebody in Wales aged 18 or over who helps raise funds for one or more of the amazing charities we have in the country. The award does not necessarily go to the person who has raised the most money, but rather to someone who really gives their time, heart and soul to charitable endeavours."

Alison was thrilled to be recognised and told The GEM: "One of my niece's friends Nicola Saunders nominated me for the #walkinhername event a couple of weeks ago.

"Our aim has been to raise awareness of ovarian cancer and the importance of recognising the early signs of it.

"The awards evening was a really positive event and it was great to hear about all the people who have a commitment to their communities and listen to other people's stories."

At the Mother's Day event in March more than 300 people remembered loved ones and walked from Barry Cemetery to the Island and back. Over £3,300 was raised for Ovarian Cancer Action.

#walkinhername was so successful Alison has decided it will become an annual event.

She added: "We are hoping to do the walk again next year and, on that occasion, we plan to plant flowers in memory of those we walk in memory of.

"We are also looking to take part in a 'Women in Wales' event later this year which is being held at Cardiff City stadium to continue to highlight the need for early detection of ovarian cancer and to continue Lesley's fight against this awful disease."

Glyndwr Vineyard picks up top UK-wide award

GLYNDWR Vineyard has been crowned the UK's Most Popular Vineyard for 2018.

The vineyard, based in Llanblethian, triumphed over stiff competition from nine other entries to be named the UK's favourite vineyard in an online competition organised by TripAdvisor.

Glyndwr Vineyard was declared the winner, claiming 53 per cent of the votes. Kerry Vale Vineyard took the second spot with 35 per cent, while Bolney Wine Estate rounded out the top three, with eight per cent of the total votes. Overall, more than 1,500 votes were cast during the three-week competition.

"We received many votes during the competition, and Glyndwr Vineyard proved to be the favourite among voters, claiming more than half of all votes. Congratulations to Glyndwr Vineyard on winning this competition," said Laurel Greatrix, spokesperson for HolidayLettings.co.uk.

Richard Norris, of Glyndwr Vineyard, said: "I am staggered by this award and am so grateful to everyone who supported and voted for us."

Southerndown WI celebrate

SOUTHERNDOWN WI's last meeting was a celebration for their 70th anniversary with a party.

As usual, the food was delicious and a beautiful cake was baked by Judith on a summer theme. Joan, the most 'senior' member at 98, ceremoniously cut the cake.

The event was enjoyed by all those present and members sang and danced to the 'Bridgend Ukes' who made the whole evening fun.

Members are off this week to Bickleigh Mill and taking the Tiverton horse-drawn barge along the canal.

The summer outing will be to Chavanage House for a tour and afternoon tea.

Chavanage is host to much of the Poldark series, but unfortunately, filming is finished, so no glimpses of Captain Ross!

At the end of the month, a coffee morning will take place at Southerndown church to commemorate 100 years of women and the vote.

The guest will be the head of St John Ambulance, who will speak to members on what it is like being a woman leading a national organisation.

This will be followed by a discussion on how members' lives have changed, both at work and home, since the WI's formation 70 years ago.

The group meets every second Thursday of the month (except August) in St Brides Major church hall at 7.15pm.

New members are always welcome so, come along and hear this month's with the intriguing title 'What Does She Do in That Shed?'

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Local performer heads to the Fringe

ALEX POWELL from Peterston-super-Ely will be taking her play, and performing in it, to The Edinburgh Fringe this August.

The play, devised by Alex and friends who are all students at ALRA Drama School in London is called *I Love You-But…* about coercive control.

They have formed a company called Closed Door Theatre and will be at The Space, North Bridge, Royal Mile from August 13-25.

If anyone is able to donate towards production costs please go to *Just giving .com/crowdfunding/closeddoortheatre*. They hope to give any profits to Women's Aid.

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News from Llangan School

LLANGAN Primary School Gardening Club worked alongside Tarmac for a community day on June 13.

The Tarmac team worked tirelessly to build a brick planter and the school is grateful for their continued support throughout the year.

The difference between horse and dog poo

IS it not time for horse droppings to come in line with dog poo regulations?

When my dogs are taken for walks, a bag and small shovel is taken to clear up any mess, but it seems horse riders are immune from being fined for the mess left behind by their animals.

In the past few weeks, I have returned home to find great dollops of horse poo close to my home – are their riders aware that others have to clean this up?

Before readers think I am a horse-hater, my father owned working horses all through my childhood and I have been a rider and horse owner for a great part of my life.

I trust the horse riders riding past my home will clear up their horses' mess – I will leave a brush and shovel out for them.

Young at Heart Club

A WARM welcome was extended to club member Vera Jones on her return to meetings following her recent operation.

The 'Force' is with Vale fundraisers

EARLIER this year, The GEM told the story of how Louise Mitchell's life had been saved thanks to the birth of her daughter Beti.

Louise (37) a fitness enthusiast who lives in Llantwit Major, underwent treatment for cancer and told The GEM: "Ovarian cancer is known as 'the silent killer' because there are often no symptoms before it is too late.

"Beti literally saved my life because had I not been pregnant with her, there's a very good chance the cancerous cyst would not have been discovered in time."

As a 'thank you,' she helped to organise a charity trek for Velindre with friends at Force Strength and Conditioning Gym in Llandow.

She said: "We completed the Welsh four peaks in a day. Thirty-nine of my friends and Force Gym members (and one dog called Bruce) walked over 35km starting out at Snowdon at 4am, taking 4 hours 16 minutes; then onto Cadair Idris, which took 4 hours 46 minutes; Pen y Fan, which took 2 hours 26 minutes and finished in Gwellod y Garth at 10pm, taking us just 46 minutes.

"I logged over 53,000 steps taken with over 5,000 calories burnt. We have so far raised over an incredible £11,000 for Velindre Cancer Centre and we are still taking sponsorship now."

To make a donation, go to: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/teamforce.

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The fundraisers conquered four Welsh peaks in a day.

LLANTWIT FAYRE

ON Saturday, June 23, the summer fayre takes place at Llantwit Major rugby club from 10am until 5pm and organisers promise "something for everyone".

There will be a stage, arena for displays, crafts, produce, food and charity stalls; a 'have a go' area, vintage vehicles and a demonstration by Gamegoer Country Displays with ferrets, hawks and dogs.

The fayre is organised by the local events committee, Llantwit Major and Cowbridge Lions, and receives support from the local town council and the Vale Council.

Organisers would welcome volunteer help on Friday evening, Saturday morning and from 4pm on Saturday afternoon after 4pm.

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Local man to climb five peaks in 55 hours for Ty Hafan

THIS summer, a Llantwit Major man will be among a group of 13 who will climb five UK mountains in 55 hours, to raise funds for children's hospice Tŷ Hafan.

Father-of-two Dan Forbes, a 36-year-old strength and fitness coach from Llantwit Major, is a member of the Tŷ Hafan Dads' group, a support network that formed in 2008 for fathers of children who have used Tŷ Hafan now or in the past.

On July 4, Mr Forbes will set off with his fellow group members to climb Ben Nevis in Scotland, Scafell Pike in England and Snowdon, Cadair Idris and Pen y Fan in Wales all in 55 hours.

Climbing a combined height of 5,187m and covering over 36 miles in total, the challenge is certainly about the dads pushing themselves to their physical limits.

Mr Forbes' son Felix (5), has complex needs, and with wife Alex – the couple also have a two-year-old daughter, Lottie, they have no family living close by, so the few short breaks they have at Tŷ Hafan are their only respite.

Mr Forbes said: "Doing the challenge, it'll be nice just to spend some time with the other dads.

"It's not something that has to be talked about, that's the difference between that and when you're out with people who are just having normal lives. With the Dads' Group, everyone knows exactly what it's like; you don't have to explain anything."

To support Dan in his #5in55 Challenge or to find out more about the work of Tŷ Hafan, visit www.tyhafan.org.

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Dan Forbes will be undertaking the challenge with other fathers.

Awards for Vale volunteers

TWO Vale volunteers received awards at a ceremony on June 13.

Geri Escott and Peter Mayle are among 21 people and groups who received recognition at the 2018 Wales Volunteer of the Year Awards.

The presentation, run by Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA), took place in Cardiff.

WCVA chief executive Ruth Marks said: "The 'outstanding' teenage volunteer Geri Escott has taken responsibility for organising inter-generational activities in a rural village, bringing together young and older people."

"She 'reaches out' from Wick Youth Club to the wider community, to the pensioners' group, to the churchgoers, to parents of young children, and is an outstanding ambassador both for the club and the younger generation," said Youth Club leader Conway Hawkins.

Peter Mayle has helped develop a Cardiff charity working to improve the lives of people affected by acquired brain injury.

Mr Mayle (71), from Llantwit Major joined Headway Cardiff & South East Wales as a trustee after his son sustained a serious brain injury in 1992, and has been treasurer since 1997.

Headway was set up to support patients discharged from Rookwood Hospital and Peter also volunteers in its Independence and Wellbeing Centre, based at the hospital.

"Pete has first-hand experience of the difficulties encountered by survivors and their families and this is evident in the way he is able to relate to our service users and his dedication to the organisation as a whole," said volunteer coordinator Kathryn Jones.

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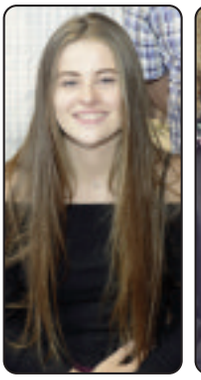

Geri Escott and Peter Mayle.

An evening with Mari Griffith

RHOOSE Community Library hosted an author event with Mari Griffith on June 14.

Mari was both humorous and informative and was delighted to be welcomed by the library. A truly memorable evening!

A special mention to Andrew Fenton at Chris Davies Estate Agents, Rhoose, who offered generous support to the event. Thanks also to Chapter Arts Centre in Cardiff, Glenys at Coffee Time Rhoose and to Rhoose Pharmacy, who all kindly provided our raffle prizes for the evening.

Credit for the photographs goes to Michaela Ismail.

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Council submits response opposing latest government reform proposals

THE Vale of Glamorgan Council has submitted its response to the latest consultation on local government reform, strongly opposing the proposals to merge the authority with Cardiff.

The Council's response has been developed with the involvement of officers from across the organisation as well as elected members.

The initial draft response was agreed by Cabinet on May 21 and was then considered by the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee on May 24.

The final response was then agreed by Cabinet on June 6 and submitted to Welsh Government.

Cllr John Thomas, Leader of the Council, said: "We as a council have carefully considered Welsh Government's latest proposals for the future of local government and feel that the case has not been made for council mergers.

"The Green Paper remains wedded to the idea that fewer, larger authorities are somehow more capable of being agile and responsive to local need.

"The Vale Council has been recognised as the best performing council in Wales for the past three years. This proven success in meeting the needs of Vale residents should not be jeopardised.

"The idea that councils must be forced to merge for them to work better together also fails to recognise the significant amount of collaborative working that this council in particular is already doing, not just with neighbouring local authorities, but also with other public, private and voluntary sector partners.

"Our opposition to these latest proposals has been agreed by elected members from all political parties.

"This demonstrates how poorly conceived this latest plan to interfere with local government in Wales is, and of how negatively it would impact on the Vale."

PACT meetings in the Vale

Meetings in Barry

WHY not come along to Gibbonsdown 'Cuppa with a Copper' which is held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close between 10am and 12 noon?

CADOC 'Cuppa with a Copper' will be held at Victoria Park Community Centre every Monday morning between 10am and 11am.

CASTLELAND Police Surgery will be held at Morrisons Supermarket between 2.30pm and 4.30pm on Wednesday, June 27.

CASTLELAND officers will be holding a 'cuppa with a copper' at Atlantic Café Wimbourne Road on Tuesday, July 3 between 12 noon and 2pm

BUTTRILLS PACT will be held on Thursday, July 5 at 6.30pm at the Barry Town Council Offices, Gladstone Road Barry.

Meetings in Penarth

PENARTH officers are holding a 'drop in' session at Penarth Police Station between 4.30pm to 5.30pm on Thursday, June 14.

Meetings in the Vale

'CATCH up with the community' has been arranged for Friday, June 29 at the Gathering Place, St Athan, between 10am and 12 noon.

If you have any issues that are affecting your quality of life, but are unable to attend a meeting, contact 101 for non emergencies or log onto: www.south-wales.police.uk where you will find contact details for your local PCSO and you can contact them directly for non emergency matters.

Vale photo club members try some 'fake news' images

"DOESN'T time fly when you're having fun!" – or so I used to joke with tertiary education students after a session extolling the uses of early spreadsheets to various business applications.

Peter Dennis' modified image.

It may also explain how members of Vale Photographic Club might feel as we find ourselves already at the end of May, having partaken of the club's programme for the month.

We started with an old favourite, 'Cled's Neg'; an update on a formula created in the days of film. In old times, members were supplied with copies of the negative of a picture taken by senior member Cledwyn Lewis and were invited to produce a print using their various darkroom manipulative skills.

In its modern form, Cled circulated a JPEG image to members who are invited to use their computer image manipulation skills with the same target. As always, the imagination of members and their various skills produced amazing and often hilarious results as shown by Peter Dennis ,who used the given aircraft images to show an external window cleaner flying over Barry!

Next, another long-standing club member, Mike Baker, gave us a presentation entitled 'I did it my way' reminding us how in earlier times his often highly commended prints, which benefited from his professional skills as a lighting technician in television, progressed to his present current 'Mr Smartphone' status.

Next, Andy Baker (no relation) also a long-standing past club member, presented his 'Never Ending Tour' programme; travel photography of his many visits to both north and south European scenic locations.

His colourful, crafted and varied images came thick and fast and we came to fully appreciate the successes he had gained over past years as a member of photography circles in south Wales.

Lastly, and far from least, a presentation by Rahim Mustafa from Cardiff gave us tips and a demonstration on photographing the fit male torso. So don't be persuaded that it is only the female form that we find photogenic!

When you read this, the club will have had our annual awards night and we shall know which of all the winners of our internal competitions held during the club's year will have most pleased our visiting judge. We shall also acknowledge those who have made other achievements and contributions throughout the year.

This will have taken place at our usual meeting venue, Ystradowen village hall, where new members are always welcome to attend at 7.30pm on Fridays from September to June. **GH**

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Enterprise scheme costing £60k per job

A WELSH Government enterprise scheme in the Vale is currently costing more than £60,000 per job.

New figures have revealed £20.2 million, including £13.8 million of Welsh Government money, has been spent on the Cardiff Airport and St Athan Enterprise Zone' since 2012.

In that time, around 275 jobs have been either directly created or assisted by the investment. That means £62,009 has been spent per job created, safeguarded or assisted by the investment in the area.

The zone, which aims to attract new businesses and provide new jobs, is one of eight similar schemes across Wales which have collectively cost £220 million – creating around 3,000 jobs.

Aston Martin is one of the biggest employers to be brought to the Cardiff Airport and St Athan Enterprise Zone and will bring 750 jobs to the area when it is fully operational by late 2019.

Marcus Goldsworthy, the Vale Council's planning chief, told a council meeting the first car at the Aston Martin plant could come off the production line by the end of this year as part of a test.

He told the council's environment and regeneration scrutiny committee on June 14: "They intend to be fully operational by the end of 2019. There's a head of steam growing behind it and we would welcome that."

A report by Welsh Government said the investment by Aston Martin should see the number of jobs in the area "grow markedly in the coming months".

Almost 100 staff are now directly employed by the Aston Martin plant in St Athan – around half are currently training at the company's main plant in Warwick.

Elsewhere in the enterprise zone, passenger numbers at Cardiff Airport have grown by 48 per cent over the last three years and it has established new routes to destinations in Germany, Ireland, Italy, France, Spain and most recently to Doha, Qatar.

A £5 million facility for Bristow Helicopters' search and rescue service, covering south Wales and south west England, has also been built.

Cardiff Aviation Ltd has set up a training facility at the airport, and it is hoped more than 150 new jobs could be created by attracting business to a development at Picketston, north of St Athan.

Mr Goldsworthy also told the meeting he is optimistic that more big employers could be brought to the area with discussions ongoing behind the scenes.

The enterprise zone came close to winning a huge maintenance, repair and overhaul contract from Boeing, before narrowly missing out last year. But Mr Goldsworthy said there may still be hope of winning the investment.

He said: "Boeing would have brought something like 2,500 jobs. That went to a southern UK site. We understand that may not be dead. The site identified has not been able to deliver on certain issues."

Mr Goldsworthy added Aston Martin is one of the best companies he's ever seen for employing local people.

A Northern Access Road is being built to St Athan from the main B4265.

Cllr Gwyn John, told the meeting: "I'm very unhappy at the quote of the number of jobs currently at MoD St Athan is 137.6 created by the Welsh Government when we would have expected jobs in the hundreds or thousands by now."

He said building 400-plus houses off the access road would be destroying good farming land.

Matt Discombe, LDR

SUMMER MUSIC WITH CANTORION PONTYCLUN

AN evening of music for strength with Cantorion Pontyclun Ladies' Choir and guests is to take place, led by musical director Angharad Edwards.

The concert is to be held on July 6 at Hope Presbyterian Church, Pontyclun (CF72 9EN) and will start at 7.30pm. There will be refreshment and a raffle, concert tickets £7. Our guest guitarist will be Adam Behrens, and our percussionist Tom Williams.

For further information contact: music@angharadedwards.co.uk, or secretary: dorothy47@internet.com; 01443 228399 or check our website.

Walk for Parkinson's in Cardiff

MEMBERS of the Vale of Glamorgan Parkinson's Support Group took part in a sponsored walk across Cardiff Bay on Saturday, June 16.

Members could choose from a 2.5 mile or six-mile sponsored walk starting from the Norwegian Church in Cardiff Bay across the barrage towards Penarth and included family members from age three to 75 years old!

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The result was a beautiful, open plan kitchen that the whole family has fallen in love with.

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"The cabinets have a light sheen that makes them tactile, and the oak makes all the difference," Lucy added.

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LOCAL CYCLE TEAM PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE FALLEN

THE British Airways Maintenance Cardiff Road Cycling Club, based in the Vale, undertook a tour of France and Belgium in aid of the Royal British Legion.

Ten members, including men from Barry, Bridgend, the valleys and Cardiff, along with two support drivers, embarked on the tour of a number of war memorials in northern France and Belgium.

Chris Davies said: "In five days we covered 300 miles and raised funds for the British Legion. We decided to embark on the tour to mark the centenary of the end of the war which was on November 11, 1918."

On Day 1, after arriving in France, the men cycled from Calais to Boulogne Sur Mer.

Day 2, they covered the 90 miles to Amiens, visiting the war memorial in Etaples, the biggest British cemetery in France. There are more than 11,000 graves there.

Chris said: "We all paid our respects to the fallen and were shocked by the sheer size of the cemetery."

They visited a second cemetery later in the day at Crouy.

Day 3 took them from Amiens to Carving.

Chris said: "We were up very early as we wanted to take in the Mametz Wood memorial and pay our respects to the 600 Welsh soldiers who lost their lives defending and liberating the people of Mametz. The people of Mametz have erected a dragon clasping barbed wire in its claws overlooking the wood."

The men also visited Thiepval memorial and Queens Cemetery.

Chris said: "At Queens Cemetery, a member of our team paid his respects to a relative, said a few words and placed a cross on his grave. It was a very special moment."

Day 4 was Kortrijk to Tyne Cot Cemetery/Menin Gate and back.

Menin Gate bears the name of more than 54,000 soldiers who died before August 16, 1917, and have no known grave.

Day 5 was Kortrijk to Dunkirk, where the men were able to visit the beach where the evacuation of British, French and Belgian troops codenamed Operation Dynamo took place in World War Two in 1940.

Chris said: "A special mention must go to our two support guys, Gary and Jim, who drove from the UK and all over France to support and look after us."

The team managed to raise £2,500 for the Royal British Legion.

The cycling team included Chris Davies, Jon Green, Mark Broughton, Gareth Leyshon, Marcus Mullens, Mark Tarrant, Wayne Thomas, Alan Geddes, Hesham Ibsule and Tony Hillsdon.

Organisations' plans to tackle homelessness are drawn up

CHARITIES, voluntary groups, housing associations and representatives of the Vale Council came together recently to review the approach to tackling homelessness in the Vale.

Improved ways of working will now ensure that help is at hand for anyone threatened with homelessness.

The event was facilitated by Shelter Cymru and representatives from Gwalia, Wales and West Homes, Atal-y-Fro and a number of other organisations working in the Vale participated in workshop sessions.

Cllr Andrew Parker, Cabinet Member for Housing, opened the event and said: "Joint working arrangements are vital if we are to realise our ambition of eliminating homelessness in the Vale. Our housing team are at the forefront of tackling the issue but the reality is that without the support of a wide range of partners we simply could not deliver a modern service.

"In recent years, we have been able to shift our work from crisis management to prevention. This has had a massive impact on hundreds of lives. In line with recent changes in legislation we are creating a modern safety net that will see no one is turned away without help. As part of this work, the Council is required to undertake a homelessness review and produce a homelessness strategy."

One focus of the event was an analysis of the views of those that have sought assistance from the Council's homelessness team in recent months. These were gathered by an independent survey of service users undertaken by Gwalia.

Mark Lawrence, Homelessness Consultant from Shelter Cymru, said: "The survey results show what a good job is already being done in the Vale, largely as a result of good working relationships between all the agencies involved.

"Service users are telling us that the Council's team treat them with respect, dignity and offer advice in a simple and non-judgemental fashion.

"Such good customer service in what are often very challenging circumstances is commendable and shows what a solid platform we have to build on."

The Council will publish its new homelessness strategy later this year.

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Barry law firm nominated for three awards

Barry solicitors Newbold is very excited to be nominated for three new awards; Conveyancing Firm of the Year, Property Firm of the Year and Client Care Award for 2018.

In seven years, they have won or been finalists in 12 top national awards, putting Barry on a national platform.

The national awards are being held in Liverpool on July 12 and everyone working in Newbold Solicitors are pleased that the legal profession is recognising Barry as a place where excellent service and legal expertise can be found.

The firm is only seven years old, but has been finalists or winners in 12 national awards. The Trust Pilot review has 8.9 stars and an independent client survey has put them at 98 per cent client satisfaction level.

For Property Law Firm of the Year and Conveyancing Firm of the Year, it is their third consecutive year as finalists.

Catherine Hartland said: "We are thrilled to be achieving so much in such a short period of time. The team here are exceptional, and we really are lucky to have them as part of our team. They are very talented, and they really do care about their clients and their files.

"Putting Barry on the map is brilliant, because it proves to everyone that you do not have to be based in a large city centre to provide the very best client care and legal expertise available.

"Being in our branch offices outside the large cities mean that we can keep our overheads low and that is reflected in our fees.

"The law firm is competing against the largest law firms around the UK, some have 900-plus staff working for them - Newbold only have almost 70.

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New extension at Llandough Hospital

The planned Llandough Hospital extension.

NEW facilities for muscular and skeletal injuries and illnesses have been approved for Llandough Hospital.

Two new operating theatres have also been planned as part of a refurbishment of the existing building.

In a planning application, the hospital said the extension would "improve the provision of orthopaedic services to reduce waiting times for patients."

A statement on behalf of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board said: "The extension is required to enable the internal works that are necessary for the service improvements at the Cardiff and Vale Orthopaedic Centre, at University Hospital, Llandough.

"The extension will provide offices and a new reception area and improvements in mechanical and electrical services."

Tortoise throws his support behind charity

TINY the giant tortoise 'urges you' to get your bake on for Marie Curie and throw a Blooming Great Tea Party this June to support people who are terminally ill.

Tiny is more used to chewing on some greens, but now he is being used as a promotional device to encourage people across the Vale to bake cakes and host a Blooming Great Tea Party this June in aid of Marie Curie.

It's easy to get involved. Pick a date this summer then invite your friends, colleagues and family round for a tea party, bake sale or a Bake Off-style competition, and ask for donations on the day.

The money raised will help Marie Curie provide care and support for people living with a terminal illness.

Tiny is one of the 280 residents at the Sully Tortoise Sanctuary in the Vale, and was included in the photoshoot to promote the fundraising campaign.

Tiny helped Hannah Leckie of Marie Curie by 'posing' for a photo to promote the Blooming Great Tea Party.

To find out more and receive your fundraising pack, call 0800 716 146 or visit www.mariecurie.org.uk/teaparty.

A Midsummer night's dream concert with Cantemus at St Donat's

CHAMBER choir Cantemus will perform a concert on June 21 at St Donat's Castle, featuring a new piece of music by one of Wales' most exciting young composers.

The centrepiece of the concert will be a new setting of words by Welsh war poet, Hedd Wyn, specially composed by 26 year old Nathan James Dearden.

An award-winning composer of growing reputation, Mr Dearden's music has been widely performed across the UK and abroad by some of the world's most renowned musicians.

The piece was commissioned by Cantemus to mark the centenary of World War One, as well as the choir's 25th anniversary year.

The concert will also feature a selection of pieces with Celtic origins, taken from the choir's latest CD *Under a Celtic Sky*, which was recently released on the Regent record label.

Cantemus is made up of 30 experienced singers drawn mainly from the Vale and Cardiff. It has performed at Buckingham Palace and on the BBC's *The One Show* and is conducted by Huw Williams, Director of Music at Bath Abbey and a former principal organist at St Paul's Cathedral.

The concert will start at 8pm in the Bradenstoke Hall, St Donat's Arts Centre. Tickets are priced at £14 for adults and £7 for children. They are available from the St Donat's Arts Centre Box Office on 01446 799 100.

Mr Williams said: "We are thrilled to be performing this exciting new commission from Nathan Dearden, who is one of our most talented young composers. It's a perfect way to mark not just the centenary of World War One, but Cantemus' 25th anniversary year too.

"It is a privilege to conduct this wonderful choir and I hope plenty of people will come along to St Donats castle to enjoy Midsummer evening with us."

For more information on Cantemus, search on Facebook for Cantemus Wales, and on Twitter @CantemusChoir.

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RESIDENTS URGED TO SPEAK OUT ON SCHOOL PLANS

RESIDENTS of a village in the Vale have been urged to have their say on proposals on the future of the local primary school.

The Vale Council have announced plans that would involve the school closing with a replacement opening at a new site in Rhoose.

A second consultation on the proposals is currently running on the plans and is set to close on July 9.

South Wales Central AM Andrew RT Davies yesterday addressed a public meeting in the village, organised by the Save Llancarfan School Action Committee.

An earlier consultation was held earlier in the year and people who had already responded should not be put off getting back in touch, he said.

"Residents raised several concerns about the proposals with me as part of the initial consultation and I welcome the fact they will have another chance to have their say," said Mr Davies.

"These proposals have the potential to go far beyond Llancarfan, with impacts on neighbouring villages too.

"There have been several changes to the proposals following the initial consultation so there are many additional points people may wish to make.

"It's vital we don't miss this opportunity, so if you have any comments, queries or concerns, make sure they are in by July 9."

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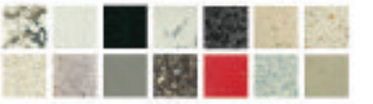

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Peter set to undertake Challenge 3000 for NICU

Peter Thomas with his daughter Evie.

PETER THOMAS is raising money for NICU Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Singleton Hospital Swansea to help pay for equipment and facilities. Here is his story:

"My name is Peter Thomas and I have a daughter Evie, who is now four. When Evie was born, my wife and I were delighted. However, things didn't go to plan that afternoon.

"Evie struggled to take oxygen and was whisked away from us at Bridgend Hospital to Singleton's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit via emergency ambulance.

"After two weeks of intensive care by the nurses and doctors, many sleepless nights and worry, Evie made a miraculous recovery and we were able to take her home for the first time. After all the fears and concerns, we now have an amazing, beautiful little girl.

"As a parent, I can not express the love and gratitude I have for all those who were involved in caring for our little girl and if it wasn't for them she may not be here.

"On June 22-23, along with some colleagues, I will be undertaking the Challenge 3000 in Snowdonia. This involves climbing up and down all the mountains over 300ft in one day, which is 25 miles in total. It is a huge challenge and many have failed.

"However, with the image of my little Evie imprinted in my mind, I will give it my all!"

From Dinas Powys to the Albert Hall

"I JOINED three years ago, and haven't looked back since."

These are the comments of second tenor Mike Bryan from Dinas Powys, a retired specialist in the jewellery trade, who responded three years ago to an invitation to attend a practice session of the Cardiff section of Côr Meibion De Cymru, the South Wales Male Choir, at Fairwater Conservative Club. Once there, he found himself hooked.

With the other members, he met with the full 75-strong choir at Sunday afternoon rehearsals in Cwmavon.

Regular concert performances have followed, crowned by his taking part in the festival organised by the Welsh Association of Male Choirs in London's Royal Albert Hall in May. This was a massed choir with more than 800 participants drawn from 28 different choirs.

Next is a concert tour of Belgium and Germany in August. Nearer home, the choir will be performing concerts on the Isle of Wight in the summer of next year.

CMDC has always prided itself upon being a friendly choir, constantly on the lookout for new members. Latest arrival is top tenor 14-year-old William Thomas, whose father Geoff sings with the baritones.

The Cardiff group is embarking on a further recruitment evening at Fairwater Conservative Club on Tuesday, July 17.

Led by new conductor Carlijn Metsalaar and accompanied at the piano by Cheuky Chan, the singing will begin at 7.15pm.

The choir has a proud record of raising funds for charities. It does not matter if you have not sung with a choir before and ability to read music is not necessary.

New recruits are assigned a mentor to assist them through early rehearsals and computer-based aids are available for home learning. We enjoy singing old songs, new songs and new arrangements of old songs.

Like Mike Bryan, you could find yourself a member of a small welcoming group in Fairwater and then going on a tour of Europe and a performance in the Albert Hall.

For further information, contact choir secretary John Rees Davies on 01446 746387, john.davies47@ntlworld.com or Cardiff group chairman Don Surridge on 01446 735437, don.surridge@ntlworld.com, or just turn up on the night.

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MINI VOLUNTEERING EVENT IN LLANTWIT

GLAMORGAN Voluntary Services (GVS) regularly hosts a series of mini volunteering events in locations across the Vale.

The next Mini Volunteering Event will be held on Thursday, June 28 from 2pm-5pm in Llantwit Major Llantonian Hall.

Come along to the events to embark on a new adventure as a volunteer and open up a world of opportunities. You will be able to chat directly with local volunteering providers and find the right opportunity for you.

Volunteering is a good way to get to know your community better, meet new people, and gain new experiences. You'll also boost your chances of finding paid work.

GVS Development Officer, Dave Edwards, will be available to discuss your funding requirements. As well as finding out more about local volunteering opportunities, you can also find out more about how to improve your funding position.

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TWO NEW SPEED WATCH SCHEMES ARE LAUNCHED

NEW technology is being used for the first time by two Community Speed Watch schemes in the Vale to help put the brakes on speeding motorists.

The two new schemes were launched in the villages of Llantrithyd and Peterstone-Super-Ely.

Llantrithyd residents were the first to use a new device – the pocket radar – which is the size of a mobile phone to detect and record the speeds of passing motorists.

Five residents joined PCSO Alex Mackay and PCSO Rhiannon Cummings for the launch of the scheme on June 6 while the scheme was launched in Peterstone-Super-Ely on June 7.

Speed Watch is an initiative across the UK which empowers local communities to play an active part in tackling the problem of speeding in their neighbourhoods.

Any details of speeding motorists will be passed to an officer who then forwards the details to Go Safe. Go Safe, the Wales Road Casualty Reduction Partnership, will then carry out all checks and issue warning letters to owners.

Offending vehicles and drivers details will be kept on record, and if there is a repeat offence they may be liable to further action being taken.

PCSO Alex Mackay, who co-ordinates the Llantrithyd scheme, said: "The road through Llantrithyd has a 30mph speed limit and is used as a rat run between the Vale and the A48 at Bonvilston in the mornings and afternoons. There have been a number of minor road traffic collisions in the area, most of which are collisions resulting in car door mirrors being broken or minor damage to the body of the car.

"Speeding is regularly raised as a concern by residents and this is a great initiative which enables them to take some positive action within their own communities.

"We have nine volunteers signed up so far which is fantastic to see and I would encourage anyone interested in joining to get in touch.

"We are the first area within the South Wales Police-Go Safe partnership to use the new pocket radars which is a big step forward. This new device is much easier to use and replaces the old heavy and cumbersome equipment."

PCSO Dan Rees, who co-ordinates the Peterston-Super-Ely scheme, said: "The scheme has been set up at two locations to try and combat persistent offenders who exceed the 30mph speed limit.

"The response that we have received in the short time has been great, I have five willing volunteers who are on board and more names coming through to me every day."

Neighbourhood Police Sergeant Mark Allen said: "Our aim is to spread the message that the community in the Vale simply won't stand for speeding motorists and hopefully, together, we can bring the average speed of cars on our roads down."

Anyone interested in joining the Community Speed Watch scheme as a volunteer should contact their local PCSO for more details.

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This Ocean is good – but it's not gr-eight

by GARETH JAMIESON
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REMAKES are always a tricky proposition, but one film that got it right (mainly by pretty much ignoring what had gone before) was Steven Soderbergh's *Ocean's 11*.

With a cooler-than-a-freezer cast (George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon et al) it was a suave and smooth delight, yet woefully low on female representation, something *Ocean's 8* aims to rectify.

Sandra Bullock plays Debbie Ocean, sister of Clooney's Danny, who gets her own crew together (comprising of Cate Blanchett's Lou, Sarah Paulson's Tammy and Mindy Kaling's Amita among others) when she wants to pull off a heist at the Met Gala, targeting Ann Hathaway's Hollywood star Daphne Kluger and a diamond necklace worth $150 million – but will Debbie and her crew get what they want?

If there's a small pocket of people out there who think that making an *Ocean's* film with a cast made up primarily of women is heresy, then they're pretty small-minded.

After all, while Steven Soderbergh's *Ocean's 11* was a fun and stylish romp (based on the 1960 Frank Sinatra film), the sequels were undercut by self-indulgence, so it's not as if the filmmakers here are stepping on hallowed ground.

In fact, to see a film like this given the cultural upheaval we've experienced over the last 18 months is quite refreshing, and while the film is a wonderful showcase for the cast, you just wish there was something more substantial for them to get their teeth into.

I understand not all films need to carry depth or deal with life's ills, and that frothy, sit-back-and-let-it-wash-over-you entertainment has its place, but this is a film whose plot is paper thin and translucent, where the twists and turns are either telegraphed (yet again, a huge thanks to the marketing department for that one) or, when revealed, met with a shrug.

There's just not enough here to really get stuck into, the film motoring along in a low gear (albeit travelling at a satisfying pace) but it never stops to take stock, nor does it find that higher gear to really get going.

Gary Ross is a capable, rather than accomplished, director, and with the ghost of Soderbergh dangling over him he sometimes attempts to ape his style, while other times using zooms and editing to give the film its pace.

The heist itself is staged well, riffing on misdirection and the carefully-orchestrated plan Debbie has spent her entire incarceration planning, but it doesn't come with any moments of suspense or drama - it all plays out too easily.

That's the film's main drawback – the absence of stakes, the lack of real drama; there are fleeting moments where we get some nuggets of meat, but mainly this is a film which happily coasts along with relative ease.

What is most enjoyable are the performances – Sandra Bullock is always watchable and, with a roguish glint, she makes for a solid lead, while Cate Blanchett is good but wasted by the story that puts her in the role of facilitator without having too much to do.

Anne Hathaway's vapid starlet is a joy, Hathaway obviously playing the role with the knowing wink of someone who has been close to that sort of person, while Sarah Paulson, Mindy Kaling, Rihanna, Helena Bonham Carter and Awkwafina all shine in their own moments.

There are also turns from Richard Armitage and James Corden, the former a beau of Debbie who is integral to her plan and the latter an insurance investigator who turns up post-heist. Neither turn sticks, though Corden does get a few good lines that you wish had been shared out among the main cast.

There are some callbacks to the previous films, most of which are fun but one climactic moment, to these eyes, undercuts the film's message that this is about women taking control and doing it their way – a plot point that Ross and Olivia Milch's script could have found a better way of solving.

It all adds up to a film that is satisfying and fun – yet you can't help but feel that this cast, and their star wattage, deserved a better showcase for their talents than a film that just coasts along – maybe that will rear its head with *Ocean's 9*?

VERDICT: Glossy and fun, *Ocean's 8* disappoints in its handling of a starry cast being given little to do.

It's a nice slice of entertainment, undemanding and humorous, but let down by a plot lacks ebb and flow. It moves at a pace, but everything is too easy and you wish for even just a dash of substance. *Average*.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Ocean's 11* (2001), *Ghostbusters* (2016).

Herbert The Dragon

BOOK REVIEW

***HERBERT the Dragon* is a children's story book about a large purple dragon who decides he wants to visit the waterfall at the world's end.**

He meets a knight called Archie and together they have many adventures. The book has been written as either a bedtime story for younger children or a book for those children a bit older, who can read by themselves.

This is the first in a series of Herbert and Archie's adventures and the colourful pictures have been drawn by the author's brother Chris Dunn.

The author is Lesley Mager and she can be contacted by e-mailing lesleymager@yahoo.co.uk; or go to: www.amazon.co.uk/Lesley-Mager/e/B07D7YTPZG/ref=dp byline cont ebooks 1.

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Photo competition to unearth the hole story

A PHOTOGRAPHY competition on the subject of Welsh roads has been launched by a National Assembly committee.

The Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee is asking people to send images as part of its inquiry into the state of roads in Wales.

The shortlisted entries will be part of an exhibition at the National Assembly for Wales and the winning image will also feature on the cover of the Committee's report.

"There are some beautiful roads in Wales, busy roads and pretty awful roads too," said Russell George AM, Chair of the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee.

"We're looking for entries which sum up people's views and opinions of the Welsh road network.

"So whether it's pictures of potholes, vistas of valley passes or snapshots of urban streets, we want to consider them as part of our inquiry as we compose a detailed image of what state Welsh highways and byways are in."

More information about the inquiry and the photo competition can be found on the Committee's web pages.

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Out & About with The GEM

WHAT'S ON, AND WHERE IN YOUR AREA?

Afternoon tea

ST DONAT'S Church will hold an afternoon tea on the lawn at the Old Vicarage, Llantwit Major on Sunday, June 24, to raise funds for an urgent repair to the church tower.

Tickets for cream teas (£5 adults, £3 children) are available from Nickleby's and church members.

There will be music by the Ukelastic Band and stalls will include homemade produce, tombola and other attractions. If the weather is wet, the event will be held in St Illtud's West Church.

Barry community choir

BARRY Community choir is celebrating 50 years of singing together, and is holding a celebratory concert on Sunday, June 24 at 6pm at Crossway Methodist church, Barry.

Tickets are £6 including refreshments, with free entry for children.

Tax advice

DO you worry about your tax affairs, but are nervous about approaching the Inland Revenue?

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale run a free advice session on the last Monday in the month. The next session is on June 25 and will be held at the Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry, 9.30am to 11.30am. No appointment is needed, just come along and chat to the retired tax professional. Call 01446 732385 for further information.

Neighbourhood Watch

THE next Penllyn Neighbourhood Watch meeting is on Tuesday, June 26 at 11am at The Barley Mow in Craig Penllyn.

All residents will be welcome.

Equity release advice

IF you own your own home and are interested in equity release, Age Connects are holding an advice session at their Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry on Tuesday, June 26 from 10am to 12pm.

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RNIB information

IF you are registered blind or partially sighted, maybe a carer looking after a loved one who is; Royal Institute Of Blind Cardiff and Vale works to help blind and partially sighted people across Wales to enjoy independent and fulfilling lives.

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale are holding a drop-in information session on Tuesday, June 26 at the Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry from 10am to 12pm. You can chat to a someone from the Society on practical support, support groups etc. No appointment is needed; call 01446 732385 for further information.

Llantwit Major Horticulture Society

THE next meeting of the Society will be held on Wednesday, June 27 at 7.30pm in Llantonian Hall (hopefully with nice new windows) and the speaker will be Shena Sarjeant, who will be giving us all tips on how to 'Bake to Win' for when we enter items for our annual show on Saturday, August 18.

Crimewriters panel

JOIN Griffin Books on Thursday, June 28 at Waterloo Tea, Penarth, for a debut crimewriters panel discussion.

Sarah Hilary, author of the successful Marnie Rome series, will be chairing a panel with two of the hottest new crime novelists, Karen Hamilton and Phoebe Locke, whose respective books *The Perfect Girlfriend* and *The Tall Man* have recently been published. Tickets (£10), include refreshment and a discount on book purchases. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

To book, visit ticketsource.co.uk/griffinbooks or call 02920 706455.

Family Fun Day

A FAMILY fun day takes place on Sunday, July 1 at 2pm on Little Hill green, Brock Street, Barry (CF63 1LB) with a best cake competition, bouncy castle, owls, refreshments and games. Proceeds to Cadoxton Conservation Group.

Harriers reunion

BARRY and Vale Harriers are having a reunion on Sunday, July 8 from 7.30pm at the Tynewydd Inn. All current and past members are invited.

KPC Youth and Community AGM

KPC will hold their annual general meeting at their centre on Wednesday, July 4 at 6pm.

All welcome to attend to find out more about the work undertaken during the last year, and future plans. Light refreshments will also be served. Contact the centre on 01656 749219 or email: kpcyouth@hotmail.com

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Classes are run by an experienced and qualified leader; call 01446 732385 for further information or just come along.

Village show in Peterston

THE village of Peterston-super-Ely is holding its annual flower show on Saturday, June 30, 2.30pm to 5pm, in the church and community hall.

There are floral, fruit and vegetable, culinary and children's classes in the show.

Admission is £1 (children free) and more information can be obtained from the Hon Secretary, Huw Potter (01446 760672). The closing date for entries is Wednesday, June 27.

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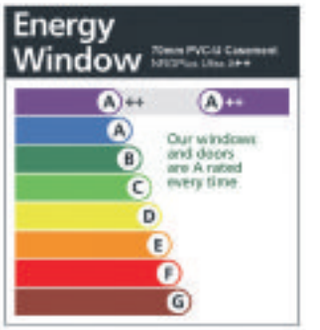

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Airport staff in Peak form!

FOURTEEN staff from Cardiff Airport, including 12 crew from the fire station, took on the unenviable task of completing the Welsh Three Peaks.

Starting at Snowdon, they started their climb to the top of the 1,085m mountain top.

When reaching the top, the crews could celebrate with a cheeky shot of Sambuca supplied by Nic Case.

When batteries had been recharged, they were able to commence their route down taking in the beautiful scenery along the miner's track.

Fortunately for them, the sun was shining and the skies were blue. The conditions could not have been any better.

Their next stop was the 893m climb of Cadir Idris with its steep ascent to the top.

Once at the top celebrations could begin. Andy Shaw and Andy Gordon then took the challenge to another level and ran to the bottom, completing the descent in an astonishing 26 minutes.

Finally to Pen Y Fan, a mere 886m high. With beautiful blue skies and a more relaxed hike, the group made it to the top for their photo finish. Mission accomplished!

The challenge was in aid of Prostate Cancer and the group have made an incredible amount of money to donate to such a worthy charity.

Team organiser Lisa Sims commented on the outstanding efforts of the whole team: "This challenge was a real testament to the determination and fitness of the crew. The teamwork and support was immense and for such a great charity it was such a worthwhile event.

"A big thank you to CJ Travel in Barry who very kindly supplied the bus to enable us to take part. Bring on the next challenge!"

Can you give Finley a home?

Finley with Robyn.

FINLEY is a sweet 14-year-old Jack Russell terrier but do not be put off by his age, as he has lots of love to give.

He is fit for his age and still enjoys regular walks. Once he's had a stroll, he's happy to curl up and sleep.

Finley would ideally prefer a quieter, retired set up; however, he could live with children aged 11 years old and above.

He will need a few visits to get to know new owners, as he can be worried at first. He is a lovely chap who would make a great companion dog.

If you would like to know more about Finley, then contact Dogs Trust Bridgend on 01656 725219; or pop down to the centre at Court Colman CF31 4NG.

You can also visit the website at www dogstrust.org.uk.

ROGUE DOG WALKERS COULD FACE £100 FINES

DOG walkers could be given spot fines of £100 in the Vale if they fail to pick up mess left by their pets.

The Vale Council is considering three-year public spaces protection orders (PSPOs) in specified areas to require dog owners to clean up after their pets and keep them on a lead.

Dogs could also be banned from some areas, including Barry Island beach, from May 1 to September 30.

The PSPOs are proposed in areas across the Vale, including many public spaces in Barry and Penarth.

If the plans are adopted officers could issue rogue dog walkers with fixed penalty notices of £100 which could increase to £1,000 if not paid.

A statement on the council's website explains: "Despite several educational interventions, such as the 'Dogs are Clever' campaign, there continue to be issues across the Vale with some irresponsible dog owners, specifically where dog faeces is not being removed.

"We know that the majority of dog owners are responsible, however there is still a minority of people who do not take full responsibility for their animals and ignore the council's byelaws. Dog faeces that is not removed poses a health risk known as toxocariaisis.

"In order to tackle this issue, the council has the power to serve a public spaces protection order (PSPO) under the Anti-social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014. The purpose of a PSPO is to restrict persistent anti-social behaviour in public spaces. This would replace the byelaws and restrictions that are currently in place.

"The PSPO can last for three years and, if breached, an authorised officer could issue a fixed penalty notice up to £100, which if not paid could be increased to £1000."

The proposed PSPOs would not apply to people who are partially sighted or registered blind or with sight or hearing impairments. They also wouldn't apply to people with disabilities which affect their mobility or would make removing the dog mess unreasonable, the council says.

Working dogs for emergency search and rescue, law enforcement, armed forces and dogs used for directing animals would also be exempt.

The Cardiff Academy open free scholarship fund for A-level students

CARDIFF'S oldest private sixth form academy is celebrating 20 years of high-quality education in spectacular style by announcing a quarter-of-a-million-pound scholarship fund for prospective A-level students from all walks of life.

The revered academy has recently been bought by local businessman Sajid Ghaffar, chairman of the Draycott Group, and the school's management has proudly announced growth plans to continue the school's successes following this investment.

In celebration of 20 years of high-quality sixth form education, the Academy is offering a £250,000 scholarship for 10 prospective A-level students.

These scholarship places will be available to bright and talented students starting sixth form in September 2018, where they will benefit from intimate class sizes, high-quality facilities and personal tuition and guidance to help further their future university goals.

Entrepreneur Ghaffar, whose business and property interests run the length of the UK and overseas, is passionate about education and its benefits.

"I'm aware of how fortunate I've been to be well-educated, both practically and morally," said Mr Ghaffar, who graduated from Cardiff University with a degree in Law.

"The very best of opportunities open to children when learning in a positive and dedicated environment, and I can't wait to greet the new class of 2018."

The requirement for a scholarship consideration is a minimum of six GCSE subjects at grade A or above (predicted or achieved), plus a requirement of grade A or above in subjects to be studied at A-level.

Applications are now open for the fully funded scholarships, and students and their families may register their interest through the Academy's application portal (cardiffacademy.org/scholarship).

Successful applications will be furthered through an interview process at a later date.

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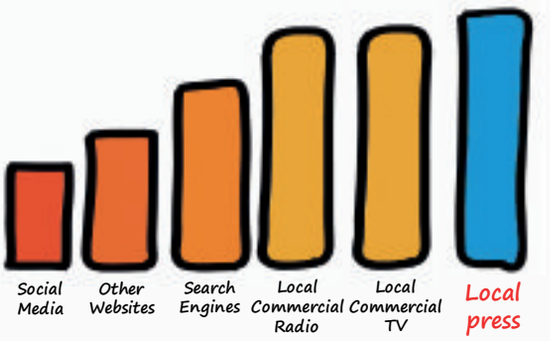

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Open Farm Sunday success in Wenvoe

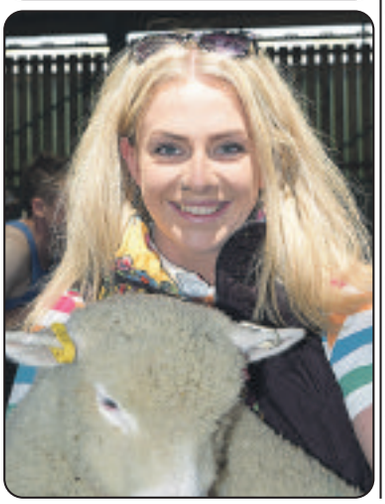
PHOTOGRAPHS by MIKE WILCOCK

OPEN Farm Sunday, held in June each year, is a not only a national celebration of the UK's hardworking farmers, shepherds and shepherdesses.

It also provides a valuable and timely insight into the workings of a farm and may just give a hint of the effort put in 365 days a year – and round-the-clock if needs be – to put food on our tables.

Thankfully, almost every journey through the Vale or Bridgend takes one past a farm, and many of us see the day-to-day work carried out.

These images are of Goldsland Farm in Wenvoe.



Pleasant stroll for the Ramblers

ON a pleasant sunny summer evening, 12 walkers joined Geraint from Penarth and District Ramblers at the Twyn in Dinas Powys for a circular walk taking in the historic Dinas Powys hillfort, and setting off up Highwalls Road, they crossed the empty Dinas Powys golf course.

Making their way into woodland and down a sunken path, a quiet lane led them into the Millfields before a deviation into Coed Clwyd-gwyn for the steep climb up a narrow pathway, clambering over fallen trees and climbing wooden steps leading up through the ancient ditches and into the hillfort.

This site was found by Sir Mortimer Wheeler, who with a friend of his (Leslie Alcock) organised a dig at the site which was called Cwm George Camp which they assumed was an Iron Age fort.

The actual fort consists of four sets of banks and deep ditches still in evidence and it was defended to the north, east and west by steep hillsides.

The site is the best preserved in Wales and most of Europe and in actual fact relates to the Dark Ages, a period of time between when the Romans left and the Normans invaded when there was religious and civil unrest with deterioration in culture and economy and much fighting.

Pottery, amphora storage jars for wine, olive oil and fish sauce which would have made the journey of 3,000-miles by sea from Syria, taking six months to arrive were found, along with glass beakers, crystal cups that were rounded at the bottom and around 22,000-animal bones that had been butchered and burnt.

Descending the opposite side of the hill into the steep-sided Cwm George, the track led on with views towards a mist covered Garth Hill and the village of Michaelston-le-Pit and Llandough Hospital.

Climbing a bridle path, then a steep rocky track led them into Park Wood with its mature beech trees and turning south along wide paths in the broad leaved woodland; another short climb was followed by a descent to the Beauville lane and the One o'Clock Gate.

Then heading down across the verdant golf course, with its wonderful individual trees in full leaf and a few golfers still enjoying playing the greens, brought them back to Dinas village after an interesting journey.

On June 24, meet at 9am at Cogan for a 9.5-mile moderate joint walk with Caerphilly Ramblers in the Abersychan area, call Clive on 029 2065 4156.

On June 27, the mid-week walk will leave Cogan Leisure Centre at 7.30am for the 20-mile strenuous annual Three Castles Walk; contact William on 07528 701 952.

On June 28, meet 6.30pm at the entrance to the Millfields (bottom of Penyturnpike Road) Dinas Powys for a 5.5 mile easy/moderate evening walk taking in the Salmon Leaps; contact Sue J on 07969 974 921.

Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice.

For up to date information log on to www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or access Facebook. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

Joy Strangward

Valeways guided walks

ON Wednesday, June 27 at 10.30am the Coffee Shop Strollers of Barry will meet at the Bridge Cafe car park on Cold Knap, Barry.

On Thursday, June 28 at 10am meet at the Sycamore Tree pub in Colwinston (CF71 7NG) to walk ...'Along the Avenue to Where?'

Swords and a replica revolver stolen

HAVE you seen any of these items?

The items were stolen from a property in Victoria Road, Penarth, during a burglary which took place sometime between May 25 and May 27.

The items include: Lord of the Rings United Cutlery Sting sword; Lord of the Rings United Cutlery Anduril sword of King Elessar on plaque; set of three wooden-handled Samurai swords; replica metal revolver pistol; Omega Speedmaster Professional Moon Watch serial no 77171098; 18 carat gold square men's watch; antique 18 carat gold hunter pocket watch and gold chain; Links silver Concorde cufflinks with velvet pouch; a men's gold buckle ring from the 1940s, and a woman's silver ring.

Officers have made four arrests in connection with this burglary and are continuing their investigation.

They are appealing for anyone who may have seen anything suspicious in the area around the time of the burglary to come forward.

If you see any of these items mentioned above or are approached to buy them, then get in touch with the police on 101 quoting reference 1800189650 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

A Lord of the Rings Anduril sword was taken.

Operation Galactica has been launched to tackle a spate of burglaries in Penarth and Dinas Powys in recent weeks.

As part of the operation more officers will be visible on patrol in the area during key times, as well as plain-clothes officers targeting areas of concern.

PC

Defibrillator installed at West House, Penarth

PENARTH Town Council recently installed a public access defibrillator at West House.

This will allow 24-hour access to a potentially life-saving defibrillator. The units can be used to help resuscitate someone in cardiac arrest and increases the chances of survival from 3 per cent to 47 per cent.

The unit is identifiable as a bright yellow box on the front façade of West House's modern annexe. As such, it is identifiable from Stanwell Road and benefits from illumination in darkness.

Welsh Hearts donated a state-of-the-art defibrillator to Penarth Town Council in 2015, when it was kept at The Paget Rooms. By installing the facility at West House, access is available for all the public, around the clock.

The defibrillator has been installed at West House in Stanwell Road.

Welsh Hearts is a Cardiff-based charity, which works nationwide towards the prevention and management of heart disease in Wales, including funding the provision of defibrillators and emergency lifesaving equipment throughout the country.

Barry raises LGBT+ flag

BARRY Town Council Mayor, Cllr Janice Charles, Council Leader Cllr Bronwen Brooks and Cllr Leighton Rowlands raised the LGBT+ flag at the Town Council Offices in recognition of Pride Month this week.

Barry Town Mayor, Cllr Janice Charles said: "I am honoured to be present to support the LGBT+ community and to demonstrate Barry Town Council's commitment to promoting equality and diversity in all of its work".

Cllr Brooks, Leader of the Council, explained that the Council's Flag Flying Protocol had been amended to include flying the LGBT+ flag for the month of June in recognition of Pride Month.

The LGBT+ flag was raised in Barry.

Cllr Rowlands was pleased that the finance committee had agreed to fly the flag, which was fully supported by the Town Mayor and the Council Leader, adding that "Equalities should not be party political".

Cllr Rowlands said he was "delighted to be part of the flag raising event to support gay rights, equality and standing up for his fellow LGBT+ community."

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Park yourself at the Crescent for a great day's shopping!

PARK CRESCENT is a key thoroughfare in Barry during the summer, a popular route down to the relaxing Knap gardens, the attractions of the Island, and the open spaces of picturesque Romilly Park where the annual Scout Fete will be held on Saturday, July 7.

Park Crescent is full of vitality, life and busy businesses as it meanders its way down from Pontypridd Road/Jenner Road and St Nicholas Road, past Romilly Primary School, half a dozen or so side streets, and to the historic All Saints Church.

But enough of the travelogue - time to get down to business.

And there are so many here.

Some new, such as Gee Whizz Haus of Hair (*more on that new enterprise on the page opposite*).

Hair and beauty and grooming, be it for ladies, gentlemen, or our four-legged friends, is big business along Park Crescent.

These make up the ever-growing family of individual, innovative, and exciting small business there, many of which are long-established family businesses providing top services for local people and visitors to the town.

People love the buzz and friendliness of the area, and with good reason.

Park Crescent is more than the sum of its parts, and certainly more than merely a route to other places.

It is a destination in its own right, and with parking on side streets and quite a few spaces on the crescent itself of up to two hours, there is time to conduct one's business, have your hair done, get the dog (or the chap in your life) groomed, and still have time for a slap-up meal of fish and chips.

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My Favourite Pet Shop could become yours!

MY Favourite Pet Shop is a very popular pet shop and dog boutique with people visiting from across south Wales.

Alison has been at 120 Park Crescent for nine years and she clearly loves animals, as she runs three businesses there.

"When I opened My Favourite Pet Shop, I wanted to offer people something very different from the traditional pet shop," said Alison.

"We sell products for all pets and wild birds but 80 per cent of the shop is dedicated to dogs."

The shop offers a range of healthy Natural products for pets including Just Natural, Nutriment and Natures Menu Raw Food, Tribal Cold Pressed Food, Eden complete and a range of other dog food. They also offer a delivery service.

"I love shopping for interesting things," says Alison, and this is reflected in the range of products available for pooches.

From pyjamas, jewellery, hair decoration, hats, socks and boots for dogs to beautiful collars, leads and harnesses.

Frozen yoghurt... for DOGS! What will they think of next?

Next door is the popular dog grooming salon, Sleek & Chic. "We renovated the salon this year and it is now light and airy. We had bespoke dog pens built in the window area so that dogs are not caged but can look out of the window for their owner."

With a staff of experienced dog groomers, Sleek & Chic offers a grooming service to suit all dogs.

"We now offer a full spa treatment too for dogs, including blueberry facials, pawdicures, mud baths for itchy skin and painted stencil work.

"We have also introduced a teeth cleaning service using a non invasive procedure called Emmipet ultrasonic treatment."

Finally, a satellite office for Care 4 Pets sits within MFPS. Now trading for 17 years, Care 4 Pets offers services of home boarding, dog walking, home sitting and visiting with experienced, insured and licensed staff.

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Samantha's client base for bridal alterations comes from Tulip Bridal on St Nicholas Road and Yasmin Rose Bridal in Wenvoe.

Samantha has also seen a rise in customers from recommendations and alters gowns from many of the well-known Cardiff bridal stores.

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One business that has built up a loyal clientele over a 16-year period is Cutting It by Sue, based at 116b Park Crescent.

The salon caters for ladies, men and children. People can either walk in, or phone up and book a specific appointment.

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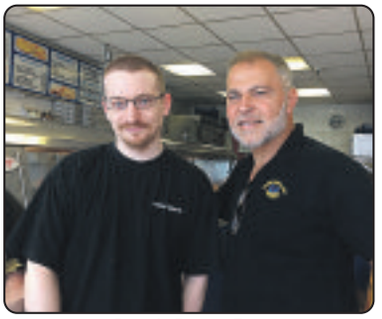

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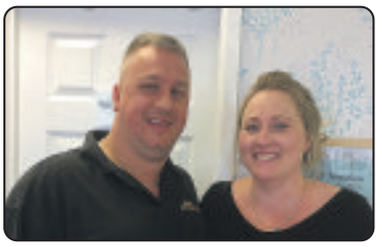
The two chippies in question in the Park Crescent area are, as everyone knows, Harvey's Fish 'n' Chips on Vale Street and Irene's Supper Bar on the Crescent itself.

Both receive glowing reviews on TripAdvisor, so why not try both?

After all, at the end of a long day's work, it's a relief not to have to cook, so why not visit Park Crescent's chippies and save yourself the bother?

You'll be grateful that you plaice-d your trust in cod.

Specialist businesses make your life easier



Matthew and Aleida Cullen – Matthew owns Barry Security Centre on Park Crescent and his wife Aleida owns Chic Creations, which offers a range of beauty treatments, also on Park Crescent.

SPECIALIST businesses are at the heart of Park Crescent. They provide more in-depth products and services than supermarkets could ever wish to.

A case in point is Barry Security Centre run by Matthew Cullen.

Locked out of your house? Need a new lock? Or maybe an alarm? Then Matthew is your man.

He explained: "The business was started in Barry in 1976 by Doug Hucker. My dad took it over in 1991, and I joined in 2000.

"We've been located on Park Crescent for nine years now. We do key-cutting, lock-outs, lock changes on PVC doors and wooden doors, and can install locks on doors where the locks are obsolete."

The business can fit alarm systems, both commercial and domestic. It also supplies a range of domestic safes.

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LOOKING FOR FLOWERS? Florantina makes scents

DURING summer, especially during the wedding season, Florantina comes into its own with a selection of bouquets, corsages, table decorations, and even something for the gents' buttonholes.

The shop is a dazzling array of colour and scents all year round, of course, but we just can't help thinking that it comes into its own when there is warmth in the air and a gentle zephyr on which to carry the aroma of fresh flowers.

What is the secret of its 27-year success?

Ann said: "We provide quality arrangements and will do same day delivery that can sometimes be ready within an hour."

Ann was also keen to point out that the florist's is continuing to trade despite the property being on the market.

"The shop is open six days a week, from Monday to Friday. On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday we trade from 8.30am to 5.30pm, and on Wednesday and Saturday from 8.30am until 4pm."

And, as ever, booking early for that special day is always advised.

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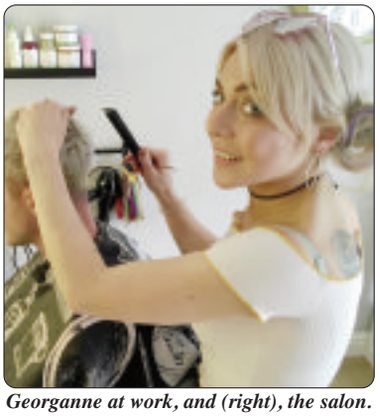

Georganne at work, and (right), the salon.

AS if to underline the vibrancy and dynamism of Park Crescent is a commercial new kid on the block. Gee Whizz Haus of Hair is the brainchild and – forgive the unintended pun – extension of its founder, Georganne Britton.

Wearing her colours firmly on her sleeve, she takes a no-cruelty approach to hair care and the other beauty products she uses and sells, and has her ethics at the heart of all she does.

As she puts it: "Animals don't need to be harmed in the pursuit of beauty."

As with many a salon, it offers a range of treatments from hair (and eyelash) extensions and colouring to waxing and spray-tanning, and yet...

"It's more than just a hair and beauty salon at Gee Whizz," said Georganne.

"I take the time to get to know people, to advise, to use the skills and experience I've developed over 14 years to bring out the inner beauty, the sparkle, that we all have."

Haus of Hair certainly does not feel 'clinical' in any way. It is by turns informal, cosy, calm, buzzing, individual, quirky, and run by the engaging Georganne, who has that enviable knack of being able to put anyone at their ease.

In short, it is an ideal marriage of on-trend and dazzling designs and products with good old-fashioned customer service.

There is, however, more to Gee Whizz, and also based there is Stevie Rosé.

Freshly back from Ibiza, Stevie is the brains behind Paint Me Bitch. This is not an instruction by someone from the north of England to apply top coat to a female dog, but is a concept that is quite literally glittering.

Stevie creates glitter designs for parties, for fun, and for festivals, and, with Georganne, he has landed the gig to supply glitter designs, hair-braiding, and more for this year's GlastonBARRY event.

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GŴYL FACH Y FRO 2018

GŴYL Fach y Fro was held on Barry Island on Saturday, June 16th, and the organisers are pleased that the event proved to be successful once again this year.

Gŵyl Fach y Fro is the annual festival established by Menter Bro Morgannwg in 2015 to celebrate the use of the Welsh language in the Vale of Glamorgan. This free family-friendly festival has earned its place as an important addition to the Vale's events calendar, and attracts audiences from the Vale and beyond.

The festival includes live musical performances, dance and theatre, craft stalls selling local Welsh produce, food & drink stalls, street entertainers, BWRLWM play area, and a variety of arts and crafts, circus and sports workshops.

The main stage line-up included some of the biggest names in the Welsh music scene – Candelas, Geraint Lovgreen a'r Enw Da, Mabli Tudur a'r Band, Al Lewis, Eädyth and Fleur de Lys – many of which were performing in Barry for the first time. A second stage was introduced this year under the Eastern Shelter, with performances by Nantgarw, Hana2K, Wigwam, Cynefin, Y Gerddorfa Ukulele Gymreig and Wonderbrass. This new area was a very popular addition to the festival and allowed us to invite many more artists to perform during the day. Hundreds of local school children also took to the stage to perform throughout the afternoon.

We'd like to say a big thank you to all our staff, volunteers, partners and performers, and of to course to everyone who came to Barry Island to support and to enjoy the festivities!

Thanks to our official photographer 'Camera Sioned' for preparing these selection of photos exclusively for the GEM – keep and eye on our Facebook and Twitter pages over the next few weeks to see more!

We are now in the process of evaluating the event. Were you at this year's Gŵyl Fach y Fro? We would really appreciate your feedback and comments. A link to the short online survey can be found on Menter's website:
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CAFODD Gŵyl Fach y Fro ei chynnal ar Ynys y Barri dydd Sadwrn diwethaf, Mehefin 16eg, ac mae'r trefnwyr yn falch i adrodd bod y digwyddiad wedi bod yn llwyddiant mawr unwaith eto eleni.

Gŵyl Fach y Fro yw'r ŵyl flynyddol a sefydlwyd gan Menter Bro Morgannwg yn 2015 i ddathlu'r defnydd o'r Gymraeg ym Mro Morgannwg. Mae'r ŵyl rhad ac am ddim hwn wedi mynd o nerth i nerth dros y blynyddoedd diwethaf, ac erbyn hyn mae wedi ennill ei lle yng nghalendr digwyddiadau Bro Morgannwg a'r cyffiniau gan ddenu cynulleidfaoedd eang.

Mae'r ŵyl yn cynnwys perfformiadau cerddorol, dawns a theatr, stondinau crefft a chynnyrch Cymraeg, stondinau bwyd a diod, adloniant stryd, ardal chwarae BWRLWM ac amryw o weithdai crefft, syrcas a chwaraeon.

Roedd line-up y prif lwyfan eleni'n cynnwys rhai o artistiaid mwyaf blaengar y sîn gerddoriaeth Gymraeg – Candelas, Geraint Lovgreen a'r Enw Da, Mabli Tudur a'r Band, Al Lewis, Eädyth a Fleur de Lys – a nifer ohonynt yn perfformio yn y Barri am y tro cyntaf. Eleni, cyflwynwyd ail lwyfan o dan y Cysgod Ddwyreiniol, gyda pherfformiadau yno gan Nantgarw, Hana2K, Wigwam, Cynefin, Y Gerddorfa Ukulele Gymreig a Wonderbrass. Roedd yr ardal newydd hwn yn ychwanegiad poblogaidd iawn eleni a'n gyfle i ehangu'n sylweddol ar arlwy cerddorol y diwrnod. Camodd gannoedd o ddisgyblion o ysgolion Cymraeg y Sir hefyd i'r llwyfan i berfformio yn ystod y prynhawn.

Hoffwn ddiolch yn fawr i'n holl staff, gwirfoddolwyr, partneriaid a pherfformwyr, ac wrth gwrs i bawb ddaeth draw i Ynys y Barri i gefnogi ac i fwynhau!

Diolch i'n ffotograffydd swyddogol 'Camera Sioned' am y detholiad hyfryd hwn o luniau – cadwch olwg ar ein cyfrifon Facebook a Twitter dros yr wythnosau nesaf i weld mwy!

Rydyn ni wrthi nawr yn gwerthuso'r digwyddiad. Oeddech chi yn Gŵyl Fach y Fro eleni? Byddwn yn gwerthfawrogi eich adborth a'ch sylwadau yn fawr. Mae linc i'r holiadur ar-lein byr ar gael ar wefan y Fenter:

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'Think again on youth services' say unions

TRADE unions representing local youth workers have accused the Vale Council of rushing to agree new proposals on its youth service provision.

It is a charge refuted by the Vale Council which points out that it has carried out a consultation. It also says that reports have been examined in detail and approved by scrutiny committees.

UNISON and UNITE have questioned the legitimacy of the decision-making process which will reduce the current universal access team of 48 youth officers to eight staff and close Llantwit Major youth centre.

In the most rural areas, youth work will be performed by volunteers and not qualified youth workers. The council should save around £63,000 over two years.

The trade unions have called on the council to withdraw the proposals and work with them on a new youth service strategy.

Andrew Woodman, UNISON organiser said: "Youth workers go into the profession driven by a passion to help improve the lives of young people, particularly those from poorer backgrounds.

"They enjoy supporting them, building their confidence and assisting them to access education, employment and training.

"Depriving young people in the Vale of this high-quality service is a betrayal. There's an obligation on the council to think again."

Joanne Galazka, UNITE regional officer, said: "You want your elected councillors to do their best for the local community.

"Everything about this proposal spells the opposite. There's been no careful analysis of what quality youth work can provide young people and no involvement of the staff or young people themselves.

"This reckless decision means most young people will no longer have the option of approaching a qualified youth worker.

"At a time when youth services are needed more than ever, managers should be working with staff and unions to enhance the service, not impose draconian cuts with so little consultation."

Cllr Bob Penrose, Vale Council Cabinet member for learning and culture, said a good service would be maintained.

"I presented the report on the restructure of the youth service in the Vale to Cabinet last week where it was approved unanimously. That came after it had already been placed through a public consultation exercise and had been discussed and approved at two Scrutiny Committees.

"The council is looking to restructure its youth service provision in an effort to ensure greater efficiency. Under the proposals, exactly the same level of provision would be offered across the Vale.

"The service in Llantwit Major will be provided by mobile youth officers using the council's hi-tech youth bus, which consultation exercises have demonstrated is very popular with young people.

"This will be a key component of the council's revamped youth service going forward.

"The youth cabinet and youth action groups, which make up the Vale Youth Forum, have been consulted as part of this process and many of the proposed changes have been inspired by their responses.

"That feedback and the minutes of the meetings have been shared with the Children's Commissioners Office and they are content with our approach.

"We are proposing changes to staff contracts to reduce the number of part-time posts. Many youth workers have multiple contracts, and others have work for as little as three hours a week. The changes would see fewer posts but the restructure will mean posts available for more permanent hours per week."

He added: "Any staff affected by these changes will be offered the opportunity to apply for the new roles in the service and for redeployment within the council, while redundancy would be approached on a case by case basis."

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'Confusing, inappropriate, ridiculous...' Poor reaction to 'sugar tax' on milk drinks proposal

FROM local dairy farmers to politicians and farming unions, reaction to The GEM to recommendations set out in the Commons Health Committee Childhood Obesity Plan (CHCCOP) to extend the 'sugar tax' to include milk drinks has been overwhelmingly that of concern.

The Farmers Union of Wales (FUW) states that sugary 'energy' drinks and milk drinks are "incomparable" and any application of the levy is "inappropriate".

The Government is expected to publish a refreshed version of the 2016 Childhood Obesity Plan shortly. As part of this report, plans to extend the tax levy on sugary soft drinks to milk-based drinks have been recommended by the Commons Health Committee.

FUW, however, cautions that the recommended fiscal measures outlined in the CHCCOP could have "...detrimental and far-reaching implications" for the Welsh dairy sector.

A spokesperson for FUW said: "The union agrees with the aspirations of the Childhood Obesity Plan and supports action on widening health, but strongly opposes the premise that sugary soft drinks and all milk-based drinks should attract similar tax based levies.

"Such products are incomparable and the transfer of a levy penalty to nutritional milk drinks is therefore inappropriate."

Dai Miles, FUW Milk and Dairy Produce Chairman, said: "It is the belief of FUW that the Nutrient Profiling Modelling undertaken has done a tremendous disservice to nutritional milk products and could detrimentally affect the ways in which such products are viewed by the consumer."

Rhys Lougher, of Ty Tanglwyst Dairy, near Bridgend, said: "Childhood obesity is an issue that we all take extremely seriously.

"I, like many farmers, take great pride in visiting local schools and engaging with the next generation to educate them about where their food comes from, promoting healthy lifestyles and helping children make informed choices about the food they eat.

"Any levy that groups sugary soft drinks in the same bracket as milk-based products completely ignores the nutritional value of dairy products, undermines the work of those working in the dairy sector and risks sending a very confusing message to consumers and the next generation."

Vale MP Alun Cairns suggested that there is "...a lot of misunderstanding" over proposals to combat childhood obesity.

"There are no plans to tax milk, only products that have sugar added to them, and I am concerned that such misinformation undermines confidence in a very important sector of agriculture.

"I am a strong supporter of Welsh Dairy Farmers, and I will continue to work closely with local dairy farmers – and the farming unions – to promote their products."

Suzy Davies AM, Member for South Wales West, said: "Milk already has a certain amount of natural sugar, and I would support efforts to reduce the amount of additional sugars added, and I understand the recommendations for those milk drinks that are also loaded with extra sugar.

"However, I think it is ridiculous that milk-based drinks could fall under such a levy."

Abi Reader of Goldsland Farm, Wenvoe, told The GEM: "Milk (and dairy) is an extremely useful tool to help battle child, and adult, obesity because of its nutritional benefits and allowing you to feel fuller for longer.

"I think it is totally wrong to attempt to place milk and milk based drinks in the same category as sugary soft drinks.

"In my opinion we should be encouraging youngsters to drink more milk, not put them off."

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NODER bod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg o 23 Gorffennaf 2018 ymlaen yn cynnig amrywio'r Tabl Costau presennol ar gyfer cerbydau hacni yn ardal yr awdurdod, yn unol â'i bwerau dan Adran 65 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol (Darpariaethau Amrywiol) 1976 fel a ganlyn:-

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VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
FARES FOR HACKNEY CARRIAGES

TAKE NOTICE THAT as of 23 July 2018 the Vale of Glamorgan Council proposes to vary the Table of Fares currently in force for hackney carriages in the authority area, pursuant to its' powers under Section 65 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 in the following manner:-

PRESENT CHARGE		PROPOSED CHARGE	
Tariff 1		**Tariff 1**	
First 1/2 of a mile or part thereof	£2.80	First 1/2 of a mile or part thereof	£3.00
For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof	£0.19	For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof	£0.20
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Extra Charges (for all tariffs)	Nil	Extra Charges (for all tariffs)	Nil
Tariff 2		**Tariff 2**	
11.00pm to 6.00am every day. All day Sundays and Bank Holidays. First 1/2 mile or part thereof.	£3.00	11.00pm to 6.00am every day. All day Sundays and Bank Holidays. First 1/2 mile or part thereof.	£3.00
For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.22	For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.25
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For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.28	For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.30
Tariff 4 (For MPVs & Minibuses carrying 5 to 8 passengers)		**Tariff 4** (For MPVs & Minibuses carrying 5 to 8 passengers)	
First 1/2 of a mile or part thereof	£3.30	First 1/2 of a mile or part thereof	£3.50
For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.24	For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.26
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For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.36	For each subsequent one-tenth of a mile or part thereof.	£0.39
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A copy of this Notice shall be deposited at the above office from today until 12.00pm on 6 July 2018 and shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable hours without payment.

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From left: Finty Osborne and Ellie Thomas.

Photography students' business boosted by college

NOT so much a photo finish as a photo start-up – two students from Cardiff and Vale College have set up their own equine and event photography business.

Second year Foundation Degree in photography students Ellie Thomas and Finty Osborne had a flash of inspiration and established Paramount Photographers, specialising at the moment in events and equine photography. But the two students are focusing on expansion.

"We always talked about setting up a business as individuals and we're both into the same type and style of photography so we thought why not go into it together?" 24-year-old Finty, who lives in Pontypridd, explained. "Two minds – we can come up with different ideas."

Ellie, 23 and from Cardiff, added: "We wanted to offer a service and as there's two of us we can do twice as much and be in two places at the same time so we don't miss anything. It just seemed to be the best idea."

The two learners believe their Foundation Degree in photography, which CAVC offers in partnership with the University of South Wales, and the support they have received from the college have been crucial to their decision to set up a business.

For more information about Paramount Photographers visit: www.facebook.com/paramountpics/. Instagram www.instagram.com/paramount.photographers/?hl=en; email photographersparamount@gmail.com

News from the Fonmon Apiary

THE prevailing warm weather has certainly been appreciated by the bees.

All of the colonies in the apiary are expanding very rapidly and I have been able to keep pace with them because I have the equipment on hand to do so. There are beekeepers out there who obviously do not have equipment to hand, as swarm calls are coming in at regular intervals.

How do you proceed when collecting a swarm? First, gather as much information as you can from the caller: ie address, where are you?

Where are the bees? How high are they?

How long have they been there? Are they in a hedge? Are they in a tree?

They may even be in or on a building. Once the relevant information is to hand a plan of action can be compiled.

Obviously a receptacle of some kind will be required. This can be a cardboard box, or even a waste paper basket; being an established beekeeper I have purpose-made containers ready for use. Whatever is utilised it is only going to be a temporary home and the swarm will be hived as soon as conditions allow.

Each swarm that has been tackled so far has required different tactics. Only one had the lovely ball shape and was at head height hanging from a tree branch, the others were under garden furniture, wrapped around the leg of a garden bench, tucked well inside a privet hedge and even on the floor!

A word of advice here to would-be collectors: on getting the main body of bees into your receptacle do not leave immediately with it. Put it on the floor as near to where you collected it as possible, make sure that bees can enter/leave if they choose to and return in the late evening.

Why do this? Well, by late evening all of the flying bees will have joined their companions in your receptacle and you can then safely take them away; failure to do this will leave several hundred agitated bees behind and you will not be popular with the folks whose property you have entered.

Not all swarms stay put – in fact three lots had decided to move on, leaving us with empty boxes on our return in the late evening. You win some., you lose some!

Very fortunately for me a swarm arrived at the apiary and obligingly went into hive that I keep handy as on-site spare equipment. How nice is that.

Harold Williams

Pleasant stroll for the Ramblers

ON a pleasant sunny summer evening, 12 walkers joined Geraint from Penarth and District Ramblers at the Twyn in Dinas Powys for a circular walk taking in the historic Dinas Powys hillfort, and setting off up Highwalls Road they crossed the empty Dinas Powys golf course.

Making their way into woodland and down a sunken path, a quiet lane led them into the Millfields before a deviation into Coed Clwyd-gwyn for the steep climb up a narrow pathway, clambering over fallen trees and climbing wooden steps leading up through the ancient ditches and into the hillfort.

This site was found by Sir Mortimer Wheeler, who with a friend of his (Leslie Alcock) organised a dig at the site which was called Cwm George Camp which they assumed was an Iron Age fort.

The actual fort consists of four sets of banks and deep ditches still in evidence and it was defended to the north, east and west by steep hillsides.

The site is the best preserved in Wales and most of Europe and in actual fact relates to the Dark Ages, a period of time between when the Romans left and the Normans invaded when there was religious and civil unrest with deterioration in culture and economy and much fighting.

Pottery, amphora storage jars for wine, olive oil and fish sauce which would have made the journey of 3,000-miles by sea from Syria, taking six months to arrive, were found, along with glass beakers, crystal cups that were rounded at the bottom and around 22,000-animal bones that had been butchered and burnt.

Descending the opposite side of the hill into the steep-sided Cwm George, the track led on with views towards a mist covered Garth Hill and the village of Michaelston-le-Pit and Llandough Hospital.

Climbing a bridle path, a steep rocky track led them into Park Wood with its mature beech trees and turning south along wide paths in the broad leaved woodland; another short climb was followed by a descent to the Beauville lane and the One o'Clock Gate.

Then heading down across the verdant golf course, with its wonderful individual trees in full leaf and a few golfers still enjoying playing the greens, brought them back to Dinas village after an interesting journey.

On June 24, meet 9am at Cogan for a 9.5-mile moderate joint walk with Caerphilly Ramblers in the Abersychan area, call Clive on 029 2065 4156.

On June 27, the midweek walk will leave Cogan Leisure Centre at 7.30am for the 20-mile strenuous annual Three Castles Walk; contact William on 07528 701 952.

On June 28, meet 6.30pm at the entrance to the Millfields (bottom of Penyturnpike Road) Dinas Powys for a 5.5 mile easy/mod evening walk taking in the Salmon Leaps; contact Sue J on 07969 974 921.

Wear suitable clothing, preferably boots and carry waterproofs, food and drinks. Some degree of fitness is required and if you are in any doubt, then please contact the walk leader for advice. For up to date information log on to www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or access Facebook. Programmes and membership advice can be obtained from Pam on 029 2025 5102.

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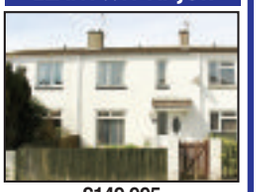
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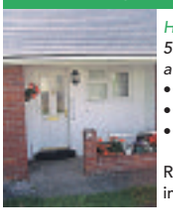

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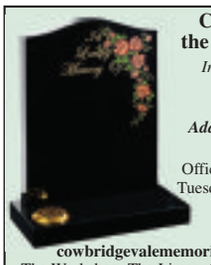

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Tom will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

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ADAMS
Philippa Ann

Peacefully at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff on 7th June, Philippa, of Pendine Close, Barry. Dearly beloved wife of the late John, much loved mam of Jonathan, Tina, Tracey, Sally and Jimmy. Mother-in-law of Lisa, Darren, Chris and Kayleigh. Adored Nan to all her grandchildren and Great Nannie to all her great grandchildren. Loving sister to all her brothers and sisters.

Resting in the care of A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Gladstone Road, Barry, until her funeral service in the chapel on Monday, 2nd July at 1pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 2pm.

Flowers may be sent to the funeral home.

DOLMAN
Kenneth (Ken)

Suddenly on 7th June at Llandough Hospital, Kenneth (Ken) of Barry, retired HGV driver for Aberthaw Cement. Dearly loved husband of Margaret, a loved father of Jayne, Mark and father-in-law of Leigh. Cherished Bamp of Josh, Troy, Amilee and Kayleigh. Great grandfather of Ava and Macie-Leigh.

Ken will be sadly missed by all of his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Gladstone Road, Barry, until the funeral on Wednesday, 27th June. Service in the chapel at 2pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry.

Family flowers only. If desired, donations may be handed to the funeral director after the funeral for UK Sepsis Trust.

McMAHON
Frances May (*née Helyar*)

Peacefully on 31st May at Llandough Hospital, Frances, devoted wife of the late Patrick, loving mum of Chris, Sue and Bonny. Special mother-in-law of Martin and Tony. A cherished nan of Matthew, Alex and Tom.

Frances will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until a celebration of her life at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Monday, 2nd July at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations if desired may be made at the service to support the amazing work of The Dementia Unit at Llandough Hospital in memory of Frances.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Lyndsay Ellis. Telephone 01446 407962.

MYERS
Jack

The family wish to announce the sad passing of Jack on 3rd June at the University Hospital of Wales. A devoted husband to the late Beatrice. Much loved dad of Spencer and Chris. Special father-in-law of Barbara and Elaine. A cherished grandfather to all his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Jack will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Tuesday, 26th June at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support British Heart Foundation in memory of Jack.

BROWN
Malcolm Alwin (Mal)

Very suddenly on 11th June at Glan Gwili Hospital, Camarthan, Mal, aged 49 years of Geraint Place, Barry. Loved partner of Tracey and father of Elliot, Alex and Cameron. Much loved son of Reg and Jill, brother of Debbie and the late Darren and Lyndon. Uncle to Dean.

Mal will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Gladstone Road, Barry. Funeral service in the chapel on Thursday, 28th June at 1pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry. Family flowers only, if desired, donations may be handed to the funeral director after the funeral for Heart Disease.

STOKES
Thomas Morgan (Tommy)

Peacefully on 15th June at Llandough Hospital, Thomas Morgan (Tommy), aged 88 years of Gladstone Road, Barry. Beloved husband of the late Glenys. A loved father of John, Gaynor, Martin, Thomas and father-in-law of Susan, Philip and the late Julie. Cherished grandfather and great grandfather.

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DAVID
Gwyn

Suddenly on 10th June, at his home in Roath, Cardiff, Gwyn, formerly of Welford Farm, Port Road, Barry. Dearest husband of Frances, much loved brother of Megan, Alun and families.

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Acknowledgement

WESTALL
Carol Ann (*née James*)

Paula, Kevin, Joanne and family wish to thank all friends and relatives who attended Carol's funeral, and for the kind messages of sympathy, flowers, cards and generous donations to Marie Curie.

Special thanks to the Marie Curie nursing team, A.G. Adams Funeralcare and to Father Kevin Lake for conducting such an uplifting and memorable service in celebration of Carol's life.

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Nancy would like to thank family and friends for the cards, messages of condolence and flowers received. Also, the doctors, nurses and Marie Curie for the support given.

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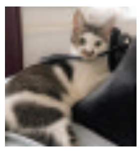

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IF YOU'RE ED-ING INTO CARDIFF, BEWARE OF THE SHEER-AN VOLUME OF TRAFFIC

ED Sheeran fans are getting vital travel advice as cheeky popster prepares to take over Cardiff for four nights.

The Perfect and Shape of You singer will be taking to the stage at the Principality Stadium for four consecutive nights from June 21 to 24.

With thousands of fans set to flock to the capital, Cardiff Bus is advising of widespread road closures across the city centre which could affect their journeys.

From 3pm until last bus each day roads including Westgate Street, Wood Street, Havelock Street, St Mary Street, Castle Street and Duke Street will be closed to traffic.

Cardiff Bus has also alerted passengers to numerous service diversions and alterations to bus terminals during the show. Regarding timetables, buses will follow their normal weekday timetables on Thursday and Friday, Saturday and Sunday timetables on the weekend.

Gareth Stevens, commercial manager at Cardiff Bus, said: "With thousands of fans set to attend this fantastic event, we would like to remind all travellers of the planned road closures coming into effect.

"We hope everyone seeing Ed Sheeran has a fantastic time and we would like to remind them that all Cardiff Bus travel information can be found at our website www.cardiffbus.com or via our social media pages on Facebook and Twitter."

AM supports water fountains

LAST week, Vale AM Jane Hutt met Joanne Cheek from the Beautiful Barry campaign at the Knap water fountain to support her call for water fountains in Barry parks.

She also made a 90-second statement in the National Assembly on June 13 about the Beautiful Barry campaign for drinking water fountains.

Vale group demand a 'people's vote' on Brexit

A NUMBER of residents from across the Vale have to set up a 'grassroots pro-EU campaign group' to voice their concerns about the impact of Brexit and to campaign for a 'people's vote' on the final deal.

Vale of Glamorgan for Europe is part of the wider Wales for Europe group, which in turn is affiliated to European Movement UK [which opposes Brexit].

The group recently held street stalls in Cowbridge and Penarth to promote the People's Vote campaign and find out how the public feels Brexit is going.

Penarth-based Anthony Slaughter and Cowbridge-based Sally Stephenson are two of the co-founders of Vale of Glamorgan for Europe.

According to Anthony, many businesses and individuals "...across the Vale are extremely concerned about how badly the Brexit negotiations are going.

"We were promised that if we left the European Union we would have exactly the same benefits as before and that it wouldn't cost us a penny to leave.

"However it is becoming clearer by the day that that is not going to be the case – we now know that we will all be much worse off and it will actually cost billions of pounds."

Businesswoman Sally, said: "We are now seeing in the news on an almost daily basis how businesses across the UK are struggling, and even having to close, because of the impact of Brexit.

"Sadly, businesses in the Vale are no exception – costs have risen dramatically due to the crash in the value of the pound following the referendum, and sales are falling as people have less money to spend.

"If the government insists on taking the UK out of the Single Market and Customs Union, it will increase costs so much that many valuable local businesses will simply not be able to survive – many will go bust. This will create more empty shops on our high streets and many people will lose their jobs, " said Sally, who owns two shops in Cowbridge.

"We set up Vale of Glamorgan for Europe to highlight all these issues and campaign for a 'people's vote' on the final deal. The people should decide if the version of Brexit which the government is negotiating on their behalf is really what they want."

According to the group, people in Cowbridge do not think the Brexit negotiations are going well or that Brexit will be good for jobs and the economy.

This Saturday, June 23, the Vale for Europe group will travel to London to join tens of thousands of campaigners coming from across the UK and Europe in a march to Parliament to demand a 'people's vote'.

Search for Vale of Glamorgan for Europe is on Facebook and Twitter for more information.

Sally Stephenson, Cowbridge.

Major Music in tune with £500 grant

MAJOR MUSIC's doors will remain open for the summer as Llantwit Major Town Council donate £500. The cheque was presented to the project last week and as a result it can run until the end of September 2018.

Major Music is a project that has provided a creative music service for young people in the Vale since February 2000. It was later taken over by YMCA Barry in 2014.

The project's future became uncertain when funding was cut earlier in the year.

Major Music now needs to raise £250 per month to stay open. Last month was secured by the Community Matters Fund, Waitrose.

The project is appealing to any local businesses that may be willing to sponsor them to help keep it going.

Major Music's 'drop in' sessions run every Tuesday 6pm-9pm, aimed at 11-25 year olds.

At the sessions, you can learn how to play an instrument, sing, practice as a band and record your own songs.

Entry is £1 and it's based in its studio at Llantwit Major Youth Centre, Station Road.

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LOCAL SAIL TRAINING VESSEL RECEIVES AN ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD

Welsh youngsters about to board* Adventure Wales *for the Tall Ships Regatta.

THE sail training vessel *Adventure Wales*, owned by the charity Challenge Wales, picked up its first award as it prepared to take part in the Tall Ships Regatta in Liverpool.

The Environmental Award was won by *Adventure Wales* for its environmental commitment and is a great recognition of the environmental focus the vessel and the charity have taken.

Sail Training International race director Paul Bishop said: "Protecting the marine environment is more important today than it ever has been with the immense levels of plastic pollution in all the world's oceans today.

"The Environmental Award went to a vessel which has environmental stewardship education as part of their on board training."

Vicky Williams, trustee of Challenge Wales, said: "The *Challenge Wales* charity has been working on initiatives to educate others on sustainability and the marine environment and embedding these into our sail training activities.

"From measuring plankton levels and bringing science to life to developing accreditation in environmental activities, all give us an opportunity to talk to young people about issues effecting the marine environment including plastic pollution which is often seen on our doorstep.

"It is great for *Adventure Wales* to be recognised publicly for the work the charity is doing in this area."

The Tall Ships Regatta, organised by Sail Training International, brings young people from all over Europe together in a spectacular youth and cultural event.

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LLANBLETHIAN WI ARE FLOWERED

JUNE is about the best month in the year for the variety of beautiful flowers available, so what better month to have a demonstration of flower arranging?

We have two members who are very gifted in this art – Ann Alford and Barbara Dumbleton – who very kindly stepped forward and worked their magic to entertain and educate us in this beautiful art.

It always seems so tranquil and calm, quietly placing the flowers in their container, but behind the scenes you are needing to see the flower arrangement completed even before you buy the flowers.

The flowers need to meet a number of criteria - the situation of the arrangement, the colours needed, the size of the arrangement, the occasion, and the perfume, all dictate which flowers you can use.

Barbara did the first arrangement of pink lilies and peonies with white roses and mauve carnations, with various greenery very full and lush, very pretty and summery.

Ann then came forward with a very different arrangement - very lovely fern-type foliage. Flowers used were Germini in a range of yellow, gold and orange with red roses making a very hot Mediterranean look, all arranged in a horizontal 'Hogarth curve', all very elegant.

Barbara's second arrangement was very beautiful, a collection of various flowers in white lavender and purple, very delicate and airy, and the scent was wonderful.

Ann's second arrangement was quite large, done on a stand; again very beautiful foliage with a good variety of flowers in colours of pink, mulberry, maroon, very beautiful. This time a vertical Hogarth curve, very dramatic.

Both of these ladies made everything look so easy which is always the way when you are watching experts.

The arrangements were then raffled so four very lucky, happy members went home elated. We owe a huge thank you to Ann and Barbara, well done girls.

If you would like to join us we would be delighted to see you, we meet the second Thursday of every month in Llanblethian Church Hall at 7.30pm – see you there.

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Pre-season plans confirmed for Barry Town United

BARRY Town United have confirmed their pre-season schedule for the 2018-19 season, with a trio of opponents from days gone by making their way to Jenner Park in the months of July and August.

After coming within two wins of European football in their 2017-18 campaign, Barry's pre-season kicks off on Saturday, July 14 (2.30pm) with a trip to recent JD Welsh Cup giantkillers and FAW Trophy finalists Penydarren, before welcoming old friends Ton Pentre to Jenner Park on Saturday, July 21 (2.30pm).

The Town then entertain a Swansea City XI at Jenner Park on Tuesday, July 24 (7.45pm), before Gavin Chesterfield's squad make a swift return to Cardiff Metropolitan University on Saturday, July 28 for what is poised to be another high-octane meeting with Christian Edwards' Archers (2.30pm).

With a further friendly to potentially be added, Barry will welcome Southern League side and former Beazer Homes League adversaries Redditch United to Jenner Park on Saturday, August 4 (2.30pm).

As the team prepare for a renewed attack on the JD Welsh Premier League, the exact make-up of next season's squad is unclear, though it is thought that a host of favourites will be back at Jenner Park in time to tackle champions The New Saints, returning Caernarfon Town and Llanelli and others.

While the likes of defender Luke Cooper and goalkeeper Mike Lewis have pledged their immediate future to the Jenner Park outfit, forwards Tyrrell Webbe and James Demetriou have both moved to pastures new, with Webbe heading west to JD Welsh Premier League rivals Carmarthen Town and Demetriou returning to his native Australia to again don the colours of former side Sydney Olympic.

Coming in, meanwhile, manager Chesterfield has confirmed the re-signing of Clayton Green.

Off the field, the club was stunned to learn that former Jenner Park favourite Gary Lloyd had been recently hospitalised, the long-serving defender and free-kick specialist suffering a stroke.

Former Barry teammates Darren Ryan, Gareth Knott, Neil Sharp, Dave Toomey, Scott Morgan, Nicky Burke, Lee Barrow, Leigh Pratt and Jon French were among the many to send their best wishes via social media, with everyone at Jenner Park sharing in their hopes for a full and rapid recovery.

Finally, thoughts are with the friends and family of Ken Dolman (82), who sadly passed away.

Playing alongside the likes of Charlie Dyke, Laurie Sheffield and Neil O'Halloran, Ken made a mighty 286 appearances for Barry, scoring 26 goals, including seven against Ebbw Vale in an FA Cup clash.

Featuring in the famous FA Cup first round tie with Queen's Park Rangers, Ken's lengthy Jenner Park career encompassed the club's landmark tour of Malta, where he was among the goalscorers in a 2-2 draw with 1961's Maltese Premier League champions, Hibernians.

The club have also announced a three-year kit deal with Macron Cardiff, a deal that will see the JD Welsh Premier League club wear the latest Macron Sports kit for the 2018-19 season and beyond.

This new partnership will see all Barry Town teams across the entire club wearing Macron apparel, as well as the launch of a new range of replica shirts and leisurewear for fans and a new, on-site club shop, offering a wide range of merchandise.

Barry manager Gavin Chesterfield commented: "I'm delighted we have agreed this long-term deal with Macron Cardiff. The one-club philosophy is important to us and there's no better feeling than seeing all our teams – minis, ladies, pan-disability and academy – wearing the same kit and representing our town."

Managing director Jamie Sylvester of Macron added:"We at Macron and Macron Store Cardiff are delighted that Barry Town United have chosen to join the Macron family and our ever-growing list of technical partners."

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Colin lands hole-in-one

Colin Lewis.

THE grey skies and persistent drizzle didn't dampen the spirits of those competing for the President's Cup over the magnificent Brynhill Golf Club course, particularly John Windle, who carded an obscene score of 45 points (nine under handicap) to take the trophy by three shots from Elliot Palmer.

The biggest talking point of the day was a superb hole in one on the par three ninth hole by Colin Lewis.

On Sunday, it's back to Medal Golf with the Tennessee Cup (gross comp) and the Bob Hope Trophy (net comp).

ND

Mix-up for Millwood!

THIS week did not start well for Millwood Bowls Club as, due to a mix-up, our home Munro Cup fixture was assumed by our opponents Penarth Windsor to be their home fixture – the game will be rearranged.

Saturday saw the A side travel to Ystrad Mynach for a Division 6 fixture and despite a cloudy, rain-threatened afternoon, the rain gods were on our side and a good game followed.

Geoff Stone, with his rink of Keith Thomas Harry Hodgkinson and Dave Lewis, found themselves locked in a tight game with neither side able to lead by more than two shots until the last three ends, when the eight shots scored gave them a 21 shots to 15 victory.

Bryn Webb, Alan Bickley, Tony Cole and Brian Howcroft were having a similarly tight game but were undone, dropping five shots on the last three ends, losing 20 shots to 14.

Meanwhile, skip Alan Evans and his rink of Arthur Norris, Dave Woodfin and Mickey Lucas were finding it hard going over the first 15 ends, and trailed 13 shots to 11.

However, 12 shots scored over the last six ends led to a comfortable win by 23 shots to 13.

Alan Bumford and his rink of Terry Mullins, Paul Childs and Steve Sewell had great difficulty reading the green and, after 11 ends, trailed 16 shots to 8.

However, a strong recovery over the last 10 ends, including a 5 and a 7, saw them ease to a 30 shots to 19 victory.

There was an overall win for Millwood by 87 shots to 67, picking up 12 points in the process.

The club side's fixture will be rearranged due to a Carruthers Cup fixture for Treharris/Trelewis.

Sunday saw a coach party set off for a friendly at Bridgwater – the weather was just right for bowls and a warm welcome was given to all concerned by our hosts.

This game was a response to an invitation issued after Bridgwater played at Millwood in 2017, and the game was played in the competitive but friendly spirit these games should be.

Although rink scores were kept, an honourable draw was declared by both captains at tea. The day was declared a great success by all involved and we look forward to Bridgwater visiting Millwood next year.

BH

Regatta success for Barry Sea Cadets

The victorious junior rowing teams.

BARRY Sea Cadets won both the Junior Boys' and Junior Girls' rowing at the District Regatta held at the Barry Community Watersports Centre on Barry Dock recently, and finished second overall.

The event attracted sea cadets from all over south east Wales who, as well as rowing, took part in powerboat and sailboat handling competitions. The Penarth unit were the winners of the powerboat handling competition, while Porthcawl took senior rowing and sailing honours.

Sea Cadets provide numerous activities on land and water in the traditions of the Royal Navy.

NIGEL VICK

Lewis gets hockey call-up

LEWIS Latimer-Williams of St Athan has been selected to represent Wales Dragons in the under-13 boys hockey.

Lewis and his team have already claimed their first trophy in a tournament against the British Asian team in Birmingham, and then went on to win the runners-up silver medal in last weekend's UK under-13s boys hockey tournament in Nottingham, claiming victories in several matches against regional teams from Scotland, Ireland and England.

Lewis has been playing hockey since primary school where he attended Ysgol Iolo Morganwg. He plays in his school team at Ysgol Bro Morganwg where he is a Year 8 pupil and also for Penarth under-13s, who spotted his talent and sent him for the Wales Hockey trials in Swansea.

He also enjoys playing football for Cowbridge Blacks, this year scooping the clubman of the year trophy and cricket for the Vale Cricket under-13s where the season is well underway.

When he has the time, he also enjoys running with the Major Milers running club!

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Bridge results

RESULTS for the Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club for June 18:

First, Margaret Price and Liam Sheridan, 60.63%; second, Irene Thomas and Graham Jones, 58.96%; third, Alan and Elaine Robbins, 56.67%.

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Location:/Lleoliad:	9, Bradenham Place, Penarth
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Proposal:/Cynnig:	External and internal repairs
Location:/Lleoliad:	62, High Street, Cowbridge
Listed Building:/ Adeilad Rhestredig	Grade II
Application No:/ Rhif y cais:	2018/00693/LBC
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Two storey extension to rear to provde sitting room/study at ground floor level, bedroom and shower room to first floor
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First loss for Vale seconds - but they stay top of the league

FOLLOWING a slightly delayed start to the match because of light rain falling, Vale CC seconds stand-in skipper Mark Francis inserted Sully on winning the toss, hoping for some early wickets.

However, Sully got off to a good start with opening pair Russell Thomas (35) and Thomas Davies (42) putting on 82 before Gethin Merry broke the partnership.

However, Vale fought back well to reduce Sully to 138-5 with Paul Gilbert picking up three wickets. Gilbert was well supported by the ever-reliable Tom Lazarus who also picked up two wickets to keep Sully in check.

The bowlers were well supported in the field with Gilbert and Greg Andrews both holding great catches.

Sully responded through No 8 batsman Ben Spear who took the attack to Vale with a quick fire 50 including five 4s and two 6s and put on an excellent eighth wicket partnership of 40 with Mike Oatridge to take Sully over 200.

Gethin Merry's reintroduction to the attack brought another couple of wickets and the innings ended in the 40th over with Rob Gooch holding an excellent catch at backward square leg of Lazarus leaving Sully a very competitive 222 all out. For Vale, Lazarus 3-26, Gethin Merry 3-37 and Gilbert 3-32 were the main wicket takers.

Vale were short of some of their front-line batting but had posted over 200 in every game of the season so the target was well within their reach.

However, Vale soon found themselves in early trouble as openers Gooch and Gethin Merry were back in the pavilion with only 26 on the board.

This brought together two stalwarts of Vale Cricket - the skipper Francis and Paul Sheppard - who set about using their experience to repair the early damage.

Some fine stroke play from both players put together a stand of 106 and put Vale back on course with the run chase before Sheppard was caught at mid-wicket for a well played 40.

At 132-3 Vale were well placed, however Vale lost another two wickets for the addition of only 25 runs putting the game in the balance.

Francis was joined by Chris Haskins and these two added a further 34 runs but Vale then lost three wickets within the space of two runs to leave them with an uphill task.

Despite Francis completing an excellent century containing 13 4s and two 6s, Vale fell short of the target by 12 runs with Francis finishing 105 not out.

For Sully Harish Hirani bowled well taking 3-29 and Sully's cause was also helped by some excellent ground fielding.

This was an excellent game of cricket played by evenly matched sides and both sides should expect to be in contention for promotion from Division 3 at the end of the season.

The 10 bonus points Vale picked up keeps Vale seconds top of the division.

HW

First team.

Cottrell ladies enjoy a summer's BBQ!

Second team.

ON a beautiful warm and sunny evening, the Cottrell Park ladies played a nine hole competition with three clubs and a putter on the Mackintosh course.

The winners were Sandra Collin, Mary Davies and Patsie Smith with an excellent 44 points; Liz Overton, Tina Morgan and Francis Stickey were second with 38 points; nearest the pin on the fourth hole was Julia Thomas.

The results were announced by Tina Morgan, ladies vice-captain, and the prizes presented by Lorraine Pointon-Bell, ladies' captain.

A BBQ was served on the patio and enjoyed by all. Sandra Collin thanked Lorraine for organising the evening which was a great success.

CB

Cash4Clubs grant applications are now open

MAKING a return for the 10th year running, Paddy Power Betfair will open entries for community clubs nationwide to submit their applications for Cash4Clubs grants.

The grants available range from £500 to £1,000 and this year the Cash4Clubs scheme is celebrating a decade of support for local communities by offering the chance for one ambitious club to win a huge £10,000.

The charitable scheme is open to all local sports clubs in the UK, and has given out more than a quarter of a million pound since its launch in 2008, helping clubs to improve facilities; whether it's carrying out a range of repair jobs, purchasing new equipment, or arranging specialist training for its members.

The application process encourages entrants to showcase how they would use their grant to make their local club a better place for its members, either via a written entry form online or by stretching their creative muscles and submitting a video application.

This year they are also given the opportunity to dream big and let us know how they would take the club to the next level with a whopping £10,000!

Entry is open until Friday, August 31 with the awarded clubs being announced and presented with their grants in September.

Naomi Totten, spokesperson for Paddy Power Betfair, said: "We're delighted to launch our 10th annual Cash4Clubs drive, particularly as this year we're giving away a huge prize of £10,000 for one small club with a big idea.

"Sport is an integral part of any community and encourages both players and supporters to keep fit and healthy. Investing in grassroots facilities and local communities across the nation means we are contributing to the future of sports which is integral to the future of our industry."

For more details on how to enter, visit: cash-4-clubs.com.

Cash 4 Clubs is a sports funding scheme which gives clubs a chance to apply for grants to improve facilities, purchase new equipment, gain coaching qualifications, and generally invest in the sustainability of their club.

The Cash 4 Clubs scheme is funded by Paddy Power Betfair and is supported by SportsAid.

Local club show public what they have to offer

DESPITE the weather, nearly 200 people had a great afternoon at the Barry Community Water Activity Centre and on Barry Dock on Sunday.

There were powerboat rides, sailing, rowing, canoeing and paddleboarding activities available to those who turned up, all of whom were fitted with buoyancy aids before going on the water.

On shore there were opportunities to learn about Barry Youth Watersports, Sea Cadets, Scouts and ways in which all people can get afloat in Barry.

Barry Round Table were also present feeding the visitors with hot dogs and burgers from their barbeque, hot drinks were provided by BCWAC volunteers and Bro Radio provided a musical backdrop.

Among the visitors was the Barry Mayor, Cllr Janice Charles, who was taken afloat by the centre manager Mr Keith McIntire.

She said: "It is great to see a facility like this in Barry and for the residents to have the opportunity to take part in so many activities."

For further details on the Centre look on Facebook or visit https://bcwac.org.uk/.

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Summer Series starts at Sully Sailing Club

WHILE the Volvo Ocean Race waited for the wind, Sully Sailing Club were enjoying the sunshine and running the first two races of their Summer Series.

Patrick Mather took first blood in his RS 400 followed by Nigel Vick in his Topper and the club's newest recruit to racing, eight-year-old Isla Powell, also in a Topper and finishing in third place, well ahead of her father who was in sixth place.

During the second race the wind went from light to next-to-nothing, giving the advantage to the slower boats who only needed to complete one lap of the course.

The winner was Nigel Vick, followed by Nicola Sutton in a Topaz Uno Race. Steve Marshall was third in his 29er, taking almost twice as long to complete the course as the slower boats.

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Barry Beavers impress at gala

ON June 16, the Barry Beavers Disabled Swimming Club's swimming gala team travelled to Pontypool for the Gwent Dolphin's Swimming Clubs Gala.

The 29-strong team competed against other clubs such as Gwent Dolphins, Bleanau Gwent Otters, Towy Salmon and Rhonnda Polar Bears and won overall with seven golds, two silvers and five bronzes.

The whole team swam well and a lot got through to finals from their heats and went straight to finals.

The club's coach Pat Finch was very proud of the whole team for doing so well on the day and for everyone's efforts, resulting in the club winning again, the third time so far this year.

The medal winners and events as follows are: Gold - Jamie King Boys 25m, Abby Finch Girls 50m, Jen Thomson Ladies 50m, Ffion Jones Girls 100m, Jack Kemp Boys 100m, Nicholas Cushen Mens 100m, Junior Relay (Jack Kemp, Callum Savory, Ffion Jones and Abby Finch). Silver - Cameron Torrance Boys 50m, Mark Eveleigh Mens 50m. Bronze - Amiya Watkins Girls 25m, Aidan Thomson Boys 25m, Brandon James Boys 50m, Andrew Sage Mens 50m, Sarah Davies Womens 100m.

Also we had a new member to the team, Tom Burley, who swam as well on the day.

Other members who competed on the day were: Keira Dyne, Leah Marcus, Zack Dye, Suzanne Haslam, Nadine Dyne, Louise Dyer, Philip Daly, Louis Davies, Keira Richards, Holly Willis, Heather Williams, Kyle Siirak, Gareth Lloyd, Tom Burley, Tyler Savory.

NC

'Head clashes are not welcome in boxing'

HAVING watched Lee Selby fight on with cuts caused by a head clash, it brought home the realisation that skill is no defence against a head used as an ungloved fist.

For me a head clash, unintentional or otherwise, should be considered a foul if either fighter is injured as a result.

Should only one fighter become injured, the perpetrator should lose a point. This can be decided by the referee and judges during the interval.

Head clashes should be strongly discouraged as they do not have to be a regular 'boxing incident'. They are not a show of skill, cause serious and lasting damage and contribute to the debate that calls for boxing to be banned.

Leah Cummins, Barry.

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Caerau Dragon Bowmen take aim for a decade of success

ORIGINALLY formed in 2008, local archery club Caerau Dragon Bowmen are celebrating a decade of success and are delighted to announce that three of their members have recently gained their AGB Level 1 coaching qualifications.

Gina Burton, Tony Robinson and Rhys Edwards spent several months coaching beginners lessons at the club under the watchful eye of Simon Miskin, head coach and mentor to all three.

Being experienced archers themselves they all wanted to give something back to the sport that they enjoy.

Gina, Tony and Rhys not only gave up their own shooting time to coach others but attended two full weekend courses and undertook a gruelling practical assessment followed by a professional interview.

"It was all well worth the time spent and now that we are all qualified then we can run beginners courses by ourselves at the club," said Tony, whose daughter Hannah joined the club recently.

She is our youngest member at eight years old and is now shooting to gain an archery GB classification score.

"The club will be able to offer beginners lessons throughout the year now that there is more coaching support," explained Simon.

"This will leave myself and Denise Davies, who is a level three county coach, available to support the improving archers with more technical issues such as posture, strength and conditioning, technique, equipment selection and tuning."

The coaching team will be announcing dates for our summer beginners courses the first of which will be starting on June 26 and run for six weeks.

The coaching courses are run on a Tuesday evening and have been very popular in recent years - details can be found on our club website, caeraudragon bowmen.wales.

The club would like to thank Vale of Glamorgan Council's Community Chest fund and the Sports Council for Wales for assisting with funding this project.

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CADOXTON BOWLERS ARE BEATEN IN MUNRO CUP

ON an overcast evening, Cadoxton Bowls Club travelled to Penarth to complete a Munro Cup fixture.

They found the pace of the green good, but were puzzled and found difficulty with the lines, which gave the local knowledge an advantage.

Howard Craven only managed success, with his rink, in two of the opening 11 ends, before coming to terms with the conditions when the scores changed from 4-14 to draw level at 14-14.

However two '4's against took away the final result.

Derek Jeffries' rink had a '4' against on the opening end but after seven ends they led 8-6.

However a '6' on the next knocked the stuffing from them and only two further ends brought success.

Don Kuhnell's rink achieved little for most of the match and trailed by 17 shots before three successful rinks produced eight shots. This made the final score more respectable.

Kelvin Chedgzoy's rink conceded a '2' on the first, then continued by steadily increasing their advantage to 12-8 on the 11th end.

Going into the final end a two shot advantage was taken away with a '3' against.

Scores: J Stacey, E. Davies, W Craven, H Craven 14, A Stockham, B Lewis, N Thomas, G Thomas 22; A Prince, J Pap, I Heppenstall, D Jeffries 11, R Daniel, M England, P Church, C Fry 24; D Tuck, I Robertson, S Clarke, D Kuhnell 15, T Buckingham, B Willacott, P Crocker, C Grant 27; M Jones, J Davies, P Ellis, K Chedgzoy 14, A. Conway, B Lansley, D Musk, B Horn 15. Final score: 54-88.

The Saturday league game was postponed as the opposing team were still in the Carruthers Cup. **DK**

Barrivale Bridge Club latest news

RESULTS for the Barrivale Bridge Club session for June 12:

1. Diana and Adrian Trickey 71.25%; 2. Debbie Richards & Noelle Bond 57.29%; 3. Laura Woodruff & Mike Close 52.50%. The handicap winners were Adrian and Diana Trickey.

As always, new members are welcome at Barrivale Bridge Club and a partner may be arranged, if required.

If you would like to join us ring 01446 418380, 01446 733425 or 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Alternatively, players inexperienced or new, may attend the following sessions: Friday 10am (doors open 9.45am) at the Pioneer Hall for lessons and assisted play; Thursday afternoons for assisted play from 1.30pm-4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry, CF63 4AP (the waterfront).

While our current class for beginners continues to run on Friday mornings, new members wishing to start the class will be able to join the next beginners' class commencing this September 2018.

LH

Swell competition

CHANNEL Coast Surf Club will be holding a swell board competition on either June 30/July 1, with backup dates of July 7/8.

The competition will be a team format with teams made up of various ages and abilities and push in entries allowed.

A beach clean, run by club member Josh Vaughan, will also take place, time to be confirmed on the day.

Entry is £5 for adults and £2.50 for juniors, with a BBQ and presentation afterwards.

Fees can be paid on the day but confirmation of entry must be given by Thursday, June 28.

At present, the competition is only open to Channel Coast Surf Club and Llantwit Major Surf Lifesaving Club members, with the possibility of it opening to the general public.

To enquire about entering, or if you would like to join the surf club, please contact channelcoastsurfclub@hotmail.com/ channelcoastsurfclub@gmail.com or 07969288224. **CH**

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16 16 KIA SORENTO 2.2 CRDi KX-2 5dr 4WD (7-Seater) Kia warranty April 2023, sat nav, 24k, white pearl, full leather **£19995**

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15 15 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 3 5dr, Kia warranty June 2022, sat nav, panoramic roof, 36k, white, full leather **£14295**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 2 5dr (New Model) Kia warranty June 2023, sat nav, cruise, DAB, 12k, white **£15495**

16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.7 CRDI 3 5d Kia warranty April 2023, sat nav, 19"alloys, blue, full leather **£15995**

15 15 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI KX-2 AWD 5dr, Kia warranty April 2022, panoramic roof, cruise, 21k, black, half leather **£13795**

15 65 MERCEDES A180 D Sport Edition 5dr 7G-DCT automatic, reverse camera, full leather, 27k, black **£14495**

17 66 MERCEDES A180d SE 5dr, Mercedes warranty Jan 2020, reverse camera, 20k, met green, full leather **£14995**

15 15 MERCEDES B180 CDI ECO SE 5dr, Bluetooth, USB, red, full leather **£10495**

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15 64 MERCEDES C220 CDI BlueTEC Sport 4dr 7G-Tronic Plus, sat nav, reverse camera, silver, full leather **£13995**

16 16 MERCEDES C250d AMG Line 2dr 9G-Tronic Plus, Mercedes warranty June 2019, pan roof, sat nav, 18k, black, full leather **£26995**

15 15 MERCEDES C300H CDI BlueTEC Hybrid AMG Line 4dr 7G-Tronic Plus, panoramic roof, 18"alloys, sat nav, 24k, grey, full leather **£22995**

15 15 MERCEDES CLA220 CDI Sport 4dr 7G-DCT, 18"alloys, Bluetooth, cruise, 33k, grey, half leather **£16795**

13 63 MERCEDES E220 CDI AMG Sport Cabriolet 7G-Tronic Plus, sat nav, airscarf heating, met blue, full leather **£16995**

15 65 MERCEDES E220 CDI BlueTec AMG Line 2dr 7G-Tronic Plus, Mercedes warranty Oct 2018, airscarf heating, 18"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, 38k, white, full leather **£20995**

13 63 MERCEDES E350 CDI BlueTec AMG Sport 2dr 7G-Tronic Plus, panoramic roof, 18"alloys, sat nav, grey, full leather **£16995**

16 66 MERCEDES GLA220d AMG LINE 4MATIC (Premium Plus) 5dr 7G-DCT, Mercedes warranty Oct 2019, sat nav, panoramic roof, 19"alloys, 12k, grey, full leather **£23995**

16 16 MERCEDES GLC250d AMG Line 4MATIC 5dr 9G-Tronic, Mercedes warranty April 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 21k, silver, full leather **£27995**

16 16 MINI CLUBMAN 2.0 COOPER D 5dr automatic (Chili & Media XL Pack) Mini warranty April 2019, panoramic roof, sat nav, 11k, black, half leather **£15795**

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15 65 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 5dr (Chili Pack) Mini warranty Dec 2018, Bluetooth, alloys, DAB, BRG **£9295**

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12 62 PEUGEOT 308 1.6 HDI Active 5dr, air-con, cruise, Bluetooth, black **£4795**

16 16 RANGEROVER EVOQUE 2.0 ED4 SE Tech 2WD 5dr, Landrover warranty April 2019, 20"alloys, Bluetooth, 24k, black, full leather **£24495**

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16 16 RENAULT KADJAR 1.5 DCI Energy Signature 5dr, pan roof, sat nav, 9k, white, half-leather **£14795**

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12 12 BMW 320 D Efficientdynamics 4dr, 19"alloys, privacy glass, blue **£9995**

17 17 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr automatic (New Model) BMW warranty June 2020, sat nav, 18"alloys, 8k, black, full leather **£27995**

17 17 FORD KUGA 1.5 TDCI Zetec 5dr Powershift, Ford warranty July 2020, sat nav, DAB, cruise, 12k, white **£16995**

16 16 MERCEDES GLC250d AMG Line 4MATIC 5dr 9G-Tronic, Mercedes warranty April 2019, sat nav, reverse camera, 21k, silver, full leather **£27995**

15 15 HYUNDAI SANTA FE 2.2 CRDI Premium 4WD 5dr (7-seater) Hyundai warranty May 2020, sat nav, 18"alloys, red, full leather **£16495**

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14 64 JEEP CHEROKEE 2.0 CRD LTD 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, 31k, black, full leather **£13995**

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11 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.0 Ecoflex 3-Dr In red with black roof/mirrors, 31,000 miles, low insurance **£4,295**
10 VAUXHALL Astra 1.6 Exclusive 5-Dr In met grey, 81,000 miles **£4,295**
59 HYUNDAI i10 Edition In electric blue, 21,000 miles, low insurance **£3,695**
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Jaguar XE has 'all the things you will ever need'

JAGUAR XE (SE) Ingenium 2.0 (4 cylinder) 163PS Turbocharged Diesel (Manual) THIS review is simple – I love a Jaguar.

And the reason for this is quite simple. My father owned several XJ models over many years, along with the odd Daimler Sovereign or two which made me into the sort of kid who loved the idea of a car with either a V8 or V12 engine.

Also, maybe I am on my own here – but I always had the impression that a Daimler was that little bit better than the Jaguar, which is why I think my father always went for the Daimler brand.

Actually, when I think about it, I have a soft spot for both of them really, but for very different reasons, which I hope one day to be able to tell you all about.

So, what's the Jaguar XE like then? Well, basically it's a very good car. Plus, Jaguar has done a terrific job of pricing it in such a way that even a normal person like me could afford to own one.

POWER AND EFFICIENCY

The XE I had on test was fitted with the brilliant 2.0 litre Turbocharged Diesel engine that was also equipped with Intelligent Stop/Start system to enhance fuel economy.

When it comes to power you get 163ps and 380Nm of torque – meaning it will accelerate from 0-60mph in around 8.9sec. Top speed is also maxed out at 132mph. I am not going to talk much about MPG, but I did manage 50+mpg (combined) making the XE a strong performer.

ON THE ROAD

The steering is accurate in whatever situation unfolds itself on the road. The chassis is also very good – and it grips the road like its life depends on it.

The suspension is also set up very nicely thanks to the Jaguar engineers taking the time to give it its defining character when out on the open road.

Also, on a motorway, it's a real dream to drive because it feels like it belongs there and nothing feels rushed or staged. True Jaguar form then!

EQUIPMENT, SAFETY AND TECHNOLOGY

The designers have added in some

nice detailing lines and the appearance is sleek but also bold – meaning you can see all the Jaguar DNA right there at the heart of the machine.

The XE is also equipped with modern and lightweight materials inside and the layout is very good. There are also some very good ideas inside and it is these ideas that make the XE stand out from the crowd.

Again, the XE's cabin layout is just like all Jaguars' – perfect! Jaguar has always focused on the driver and what they have done on the inside of the XE is a very nice design indeed.

The XE (SE) also comes with an array of standard equipment such as a six-speed manual transmission, cruise control and speed limiter, Jaguar Drive Control, Electric Parking Brake, (EPB) Hill Launch Assist, Power Steering (inc EPAS) - Speed-Proportional Power Steering, Torque Vectoring by Braking (TVBB).

There's also Digital Audio Broadcast (DAB) Radio, Navigation Pro, Audio AUX-IN, Bluetooth®, Text to Speech, 1 x USB Socket, Traffic Sign Recognition and Intelligent Speed Limiter, Rear Parking Aid, Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB). Lane Departure Warning, Airbags - Driver and Front Passenger, with Seat Occupant Detector for Passenger, Full-Length Side Window Curtain Airbags, Powered Child Locks, Dynamic Stability Control, Traction Control, Emergency Brake Assist and a 10" Touch Pro.

To sum up... *The XE has been built for quality and at a price that everyone can afford. You could go out and buy a BMW or a basic Mercedes – but why would anyone do that when you could own a car that has all the things you will ever need.*

Price (from) £31,505Ja.

TONY YATES

On and Off The Turf with Brian Lee

ABERTHIN'S Tim Vaughan landed the Actuate Marketing Handicap Hurdle at Newton Abbot last Friday with his nine-year-old Eric The Third.

Partnered by David Noonan the 11-2 chance who carried bottom weight of 10st, 3lbs in a field of nine runners won by 15 lengths from No No Cardinal ridden by Welsh jockey James Davies.

Charlie Price, 20, who rides out for Aberthin's Tim Vaughan, landed the restricted open race for him at the Torrington Farmers Hunt Point-To-Point Steeplechases at Umberleigh last Saturday which saw the end of the 2017/18 season.

Midnight Queen, a 9-2 chance, beat Euro Bond with the odds-on favourite Gowell, ridden by Cowbridge's Byron Moorcroft, in third place.

CHARLIE WINS

Versatile Charlie, the former Arabian Racehorse Champion Novice rider, recently rattled up a three-timer at Wolverhampton with Al Muthana and Al Monther for owner HH Sheikh Hamdan and trainer Phil Collington and the evergreen Noble Athlete for Aberkenfig's Delyth Thomas.

Price told the press after his win in the first of those races: "Al Muthana is a nice-three-year old who I've ridden a couple of times at Phil's. I try to go up once a week to ride out there. The hood kept him settled, he wasn't too green and he ran a really nice race, he kept galloping to the line."

Of his win on the 16-year-old Noble Athlete who was having his first start over six furlongs since 2011 and who was recording his 17th victory, Noble Athlete actually broke his maiden status at the course way back in 2007 over one mile and one furlong.

He has since won at the track a further three times on both Polytrack and now Tarpeta, and he said: "He's my favourite horse to ride. He was out of his depth at Chepstow in the higher grade at his age last time. You really have to ride him but I know the horse off by heart having won three races on him in 2016."

He added: "You just have to keep him happy and keep him focused in front. As long as he gets his way, he'll run the right race for you. He got his way here, he jumped off quickly and I kept on to him the whole way. He's a legend."

Mrs Thomas said: "Noble Athlete has won five times at Wolverhampton and has won from six furlongs to a mile and two furlongs and once finished third in a listed race at Newmarket."

ISABEL PIPPED

Llancarfan's Isabel Williams, 20, who was sharing the lead in the race for the Fullers Women's National Novice Riders Championship with Alcester's Alice Stevens, 19 - they were both on the eight winners mark - before Saturday's Torrington Farmers' meeting which saw the end of the season - has been pipped on the post.

While Isabel was away on a long-planned holiday, Alice was in North Devon winning the ladies' open race on 4-1 chance Rendezvous Peak to claim the prize.

She can certainly hold her head up high and has won the Welsh ladies' title, beating former four-times champion Jodie Hughes from Pembrokeshire.

BRIAN LEE

Romilly hold their nerve

ON Saturday, Romilly Bowls Club entertained Penyrheol in the first round knockout stage of the Carruthers Shield.

After seven ends, only the rink of A Bannister, D Francis, M Newman, G Cogbill were ahead 7-1; unfortunately that was as good as it got, only picking up four more shots all game to lose 11-21.

With 14 ends gone, Romilly were one shot to the good, 41-40, with the rink of A. Bryan, G Rees, G Eastment, J Wright taking control of the game to run out 21-11 winners.

The rink of D Noble, J Daly, C Collins and M Doyle, trailing by one shot, kept the game tight. A vital three came on the last end, invaluable to keep overall scores tight, eventually losing 15-17.

The fourth rink of K Mills, P Swannick, R Jones and skipped by the old Romilly warrior B Foscolo tied at 11-11. He rallied his boys around and they finished 18-16 victors.

With all the scores tallied up it confirmed a one end shoot out. The coin was tossed, Penyrheol win the toss and elect to keep the jack, giving them the length to play but last bowls to Romilly.

With the decider underway all eyes were looking across the green with all Penyrheol's bowls delivered and, after a double check was taken, it was revealed Romily were one shot ahead, with the last two not needed.

Penyrheol entertain Romilly in the CML Division One game this week. Will it be a double or will revenge be taken - watch this space!

The next round of the Carruthers will be at home to Dinas Powys.

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Championship drama at Barry Chess Club

THE fifth and final round of this year's Barry Club Championships has now taken place.

Congratulations go to the winners of both the Open and Plate sections - and there is a new name on both trophies this season.

In the Open section there were only two players in with a chance of winning the trophy.

However with a big tie break advantage it would have required a number of results going the right way for Mark Cooke to overtake Dave Parsons who has led the tournament since round two.

Mark did his best by winning his game to finish on four points from his five matches.

However it wasn't enough as Dave Parsons drew his match with Scott Turner to finish on 4.5 points.

Dave's victory in round three over Mark was the deciding factor in the tournament - well done Dave.

The Plate was a lot closer. Going into the final round three players were in contention, Scott Turner and Martin Ricketts on 2.5 points with Peter Watkins a half point further back.

As mentioned above, Scott earned a draw but did wonder if he should have played on a bit longer. A victory for Martin over Peter would have given him the trophy.

Having put himself into a good position Martin merely had to play a combination in the right order.

Sadly for Martin he managed to get his move order mixed up and successfully turned a winning position into a losing one.

Instead of being a piece up Martin was now a piece down and struggling on time. The victory pushed Peter into the Plate runner-up position, while for Martin there is always next year.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30pm each Monday at the West End Club, St. Nicholas Road, Barry CF62 6QY.

The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

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For more details visit our website at http://barrychessclub.yolasite.com.

PJ

COULD YOU SCORE OR CADDY?

SPECIAL Olympics Wales would like to appeal to members of the golfing world if they would volunteer to score/caddy at the Special Olympics Wales Regional Golf Championships on Monday, July 9 at St Andrews Major Golf Club.

This competition is over both 18 and nine holes for adults with intellecutal (learning) disabilities.

If interested, please contact Jeff Savory via specialolympicswales@gmail.com or call 0780 316 5581.

JS

Penarth Windsor Alliance team leading the way

STAR billing this week goes to Dave Howells' Alliance team, who recorded yet another win in this record-breaking season.

This time it was a very close two shot victory over near neighbours Penarth.

Scores: Dave Adams, Martin Dorrell, Hugh Morris and Lance Davies 18-12; Dave Brenton, Paul Parker, Keith Williams and Dave Lewis 23-15; Tommy Owen, Peter Collier, Tom Evans and captain Howells 18-17; Brin Peregrine, Mike Fullbrook, Tim White and Mike Cuccinello 10-23.

The only other men's match this week was that of the second team who faced a Dinas Powys side which showed a number of changes from the one that had faced Penarth the previous week.

Despite those changes, Dinas proved the better side on the day, beating Windsor by 10 shots.

Captain Simon Latham led from the front and along with Brin Peregrine, Alan Dudley and Mike Cuccinello secured a 24-12 rink victory.

Mike Matthews, Charles Burton, Clive Palfrey and Dave Howells also won with a score of 21-14.

However two rinks went down - Tom Evans, Ian Mathias, John Hardess and Derek Davies 14-23 and finally Tommy Owen, Roger Ellis, Arty Woodcock and Dave Hales 10-30.

Sympathy for young Hales who was clearly exhausted by the extra length of his journey to the club.

The ladies had a most enjoyable and successful evening at Mackintosh, winning comfortably by 44 shots to 22. The game was made even more enjoyable as they were serenaded throughout by a practising choir who rejoice in the name of "Only Menopause Aloud".

Rink scores: Ann Morrish, Bernice Roberts, Diane Roper and Moyra Owen 21-13; Angela Hudson, Mags Coughlan, Veronica Flitney and Di Thomas 23-9.

Sadly, the other match was a chastening experience in the Double Rink game.

As always, Windsor fielded an inexperienced side in accordance with the spirit of this competition but many opposition sides are having to play some of their best bowlers because of a shortage of players.

Such was the case with Barry Romilly, who romped to victory by 54 shots to 16.

PM

GREAT WEEK FOR SULLY BOWLS CLUB

WHAT a week was had by the Sully Bowls Club.

On paper two away games is never good but for the first time in many a year two victories ensued.

On Wednesday night a trip to the Murch, Dinas Powys, turned out to be a real nail-biter.

On five ends the home side were running away with it at 20-8 but Sully started to find the heavier green and on 10 ends had turned it round to 34-31.

It was nip and tuck all the way with a special mention for Albert Kelly who, well in his 80s, had a simply superb game at lead.

The rink of Albert, Huw Thomas, Trevor Murphy and Doug Hotchkiss carried the night with a 23-8 win but the rink of Dave Davies, Richard Fitzjohn, Stewart Phillips and Hugh Levick Jones scored the winning shots, taking a three on the last end to get the winning match margin, drawing 14-14 but giving Sully a 58-55 overall win.

Ben Curtis, Doug Curtin, Alen Rees and Dennis Edwards' rink went down 14-15 and Eddie Pryer, Paul Neale, Alen Thomas and Dave Curtis lost 7-18.

Come Saturday, the first rain of the season stopped just as play began and a good afternoon ensued.

On a beautiful surface in Llantwit Major nothing was expected as we had lost a fortnight before in the Munro Cup but how wrong we were.

At five ends it was 15-22, at 10 ends 37-40, and after 15 it was 62-58.

Andy Smith, Doug Curtin, M Hardy and Brian Griffiths' rink held on to take a two for a three shot win with three other rinks up.

Other scores: Stewart Phillips, Alen Rees, Doug Hotchkiss and Fred Phillips 15-26; Ben Curtis, Trevor Murphy, and Dennis Edwards 18-15; Garth John, Richard Fitzjohn, Alen Thomas and Dave Curtis 24-16, the final score 80-77 overall.

This week the Villagers are at home against Taffs Well on Saturday.

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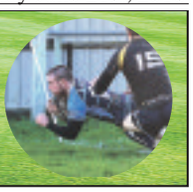

Successful summer tour sees Wales gain valuable momentum

by GARETH JAMIESON

MOMENTUM can be a wonderful thing, particularly in sport. Once a team, or an individual, gains momentum then their confidence levels are up, their self-belief stronger than ever, the fear of failure diminishing with every success.

For the Welsh rugby team, these feelings must be particularly strong right now, coming off the back of a tricky end-of-season tour that saw them face South Africa in Washington before taking on Argentina in their own back yard for a two game test series.

Given that this was a tour where Warren Gatland chose to leave many of his first-choice players at home, to rest up in preparation for a long season that will continue until the end of next year's Rugby World Cup in Japan, the tour was tempered by Gatland's assertion that its aim was to blood players with little or no international experience, and to offer those players knocking on the door of the starting XV game time and a chance to impress.

The statistics read played three, won three, the opening game against the Springboks won with an element of luck, but Wales rode it and proceeded to outplay the Argentinians two weeks running, the first game a tour de force of defensive discipline married to the occasional burst of attacking flair and a somewhat disappointing penalty count, while last Saturday's win was built on showing more guile and desire to outplay an Argentina side who looked and played like a team lacking direction (unsurprising since their coach, Daniel Hourcade, proceeded to announce his departure from the role, post-match, after this week's game against Scotland).

So where does this leave Wales 14 months away from their journey, Japan? Well certainly stronger than before the tour, the stepping up to the plate of a number of players giving Gatland the best headache he could have wished for, and, for now, diminishing the argument that Wales lack strength in depth.

After all, defeating the Springboks was far from easy, and Argentina are no slouches, benefiting as they have done from the constant competition in the Rugby Championship.

What they also have is that pivotal momentum. Yes, losing these three games certainly wouldn't have been the end of the world given the strength of the squad available and the coaches' unstinting belief that the tour would be measured more by performance than results (not the first time a New Zealand-born Welsh coach has mentioned those words) but having taken three wins from three, you need only look to events in South Africa to see what defeat (with a first-choice team) can do to morale, expectation and post-match interviews.

The success has also placed pressure on those players who missed the tour to start the new season by hitting the ground running. While Gatland is unlikely to overhaul his first-choice team massively, the success of many of the players on this tour places the emphasis on the returning big-name players to up their game, which can only be a good thing.

We'll learn far more from an autumn series that sees Wales take on Scotland, Australia, Tonga and South Africa again, and from next year's Six Nations, the last before the World Cup, as to how Wales compare to the teams around them – but the auspices from this tour are good, and, as we know, momentum is everything.

Firsts wish that they could turn back time after second defeat

AFTER a loss to Merthyr on Saturday, the Cowbridge first XI must wonder if there might be some way of turning back the clock.

Two weeks ago, Cowbridge were top of the league. Two losses and the momentum has slipped and it makes for a battle royal as the season comes to the halfway point.

Having a makeshift attack as Cowbridge were without Brad Evans, Rian Thomas, Sam Russell and Jack Cropper did not seem to concern the team as the two Toms – Willlliams (2-23) and Harper (3-32) – led the attack which saw the visitors' innings total 154 all out.

At tea, there was every expectation that the prolific partnership of Ben Wright and Tom Merilaht would take the team to another emphatic victory.

Everything that had happened this season suggested as much.

It was not long though before both were back in the Pavilion, both LBW.

It was as though the stuffing had been knocked out of the team as these two crucial dismissals served to boost Merthyr and deflate Cowbridge.

To add to the drama Chris Willey fell quickly and inevitably the pressure mounted. Despite the efforts of Matt Harper (22), Tom Williams (14), Nick Wood (26) and Gareth Williams Davies (14), nobody was able to take the bowling to task and as wickets fell defeat became inevitable. At the end it was 122 all out and the game was gone.

Gorseinon won again on Saturday and Cowbridge remain in the second spot. A win at Aberdare on Saturday is now imperative. At least there, the bogeymen are on our side. The founder of Cowbridge, Richard de Clare, seized Aberdare in 1246; let's hope it's Aberdare who will wish for a time machine this week.

JRB

SECONDS GIVE BATTLE IN VAIN

COWBRIDGE CC's second XI could only muster seven players to travel to Felinfoel on Saturday, but, after a brave effort, they narrowly lost.

Batting first on a very slow pitch, Cowbridge managed to get 200 for 3 in their 40 overs. David Gascoyne was 86 not out, Jonny Napier scored 56 and Naveed Younas hit 32.

The innings started slowly and Cowbridge reached 47 for 1 after 20 overs, but then Naveed started to put bat to ball and, after his dismissal, Jonny continued in the same manner, hitting several enormous sixes.

Felinfoel were under pressure from the Cowbridge bowlers all along, despite the huge gaps in the field, with John Gilbert, bowling particularly well.

Even so, having only five fielders, a bowler and a wicketkeeper was always going to tell and Felinfoel reached 201 for 3 with three overs to spare.

DG

VALE FIRSTS FALL TO DEFEAT AT LEAGUE LEADERS SULLY

VALE CC first XI travelled to table-toppers Sully as they looked to strengthen their promotion push.

On a day where rain threatened to disrupt most of the first innings, Vale proved unable to conquer a strong Sully side.

Captain Davies won the toss and elected to bowl first and his opener Darren Upham (2-26) did not disappoint his skipper with his nine over opening spell.

Upham dismissed both the Sully openers in the first three overs without conceding a run. The first wicket was a sharply taken catch by Sean Rowland at backwards square leg and the second well taken catch by wicket keeper Harry Withers.

C Thomas (26) was the next batsman to fall as he top edged an attempted pull shot up high which was well-taken by Tom Gingell. C Thomas had great difficulty dealing with J Hodges (3-34), who bowled with aggressive pace and bounce.

Hodges switched from short-pitched bowling to claim another two wickets as he clean bowled a further two batsman. Alex Upham (1-51) took the fifth wicket as he had the dangerous T Edwards (40) caught behind by Withers but it was the sixth wicket partnership that changed the shape of this innings for Sully.

Goodway (73) and R Griffett (50) took the score from 95-5 to 230, the partnership finally ended by Snelson (3-16) who had Goodway trapped LBW.

Ultimately, some poor ground fielding and one or two loose balls allowed Sully to settle in the middle overs and took away what had been an excellent start by Vale CC and Sully ended their innings on 244-10 as Vale rallied to claim the final few wickets.

After tea Vale openers Withers (26) and Snelson (64) punished some wayward bowling early on but it was not to last long as Withers' enjoyable flurry ended abruptly as he mistimed a pull shot and was caught at midwicket in the sixth over, leaving the total 33-1.

McCay, A Upham, Oram and Hodges failed to trouble the scorers much and were unable to stick around with Snelson, who looked increasingly more settled as the innings progressed.

Captain Davies joined his opener at the crease and took the score from 41-5 to 101-6 before he was bowled by J Griffett (2-22) for a well constructed 26.

From then no player was able to really add the score but Snelson managed to motor along before he was eventually caught and bowled by Bruce (3-21) as he tried to get Vale closer to the target score.

Sully took a little while but their bowlers did find their form and bowled with good consistency. Special mentions must go to opening bowlers Bharrat (3-35) and G Thomas (2-48).

For Vale, it was good that Darren Upham continued his impressive form with the ball and Snelson with the bat. Snelson also managed to claim some vital wickets in his first spell of bowling this season.

This week, Vale play Ebbw Vale at home in Corntown and will now be looking to put together back to back victories as they approach the halfway stage of the season.

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Cowbridge Bowls Club news

THERE was a good start to the week with the ladies winning the two rink Evening League games away to Dinas Powys.

Rink scores: Dorothy Pritchard, Maggie Penn, Sylvia Hole and Joan Bradley drew 18-18; Tina Payne, Pat Holdsworth, Lynda Wilson and Elaine Dobie won 25-12. Match score: Cowbridge 43, Dinas Powys 30.

The following day, another away game, in a Cowbridge Shield match at Kenfig and Pyle and this time the home team won on two rinks and overall.

Rink scores: Lynda Wilson, Mary Dowdle, Joy Woolford and Phyllis Price won 15-13; Dorothy Pritchard, Pat Holdsworth, Elaine Dobie and Corrie Bufton lost 15-19; Diane Purnell, Carold Davies, Kay Edwards and Jan Lewis lost 8 - 27.75. Match score: Cowbridge 38, Kenkig Hill and Pyle 59.75.

Yet another away match on Friday in the two rink Evening League game at Barry Romilly with Cowbridge winning on one rink and losing on the other.

Rink scores: Dorothy Pritchard, Shirley Dunsworth, Sylvia Hole and Joan Bradley won 17-12; Tina Payne, Mary Dowdle, Elaine Dobie and Lynda Wilson lost 10-19. Match score: Cowbridge 27, Barry Romilly 31.

The men only had two games this last week – the first of these was in the Evening Triples League against Llantwit Major, who fielded a team in which many had not experienced our carpet green. Cowbridge won overall by 97 shots to the visitors' 26.

To finish the week Cowbridge men were away to Rumney in a Saturday League game.

The game overall was close with Cowbidge losing narrowly on two rinks, drawing on one rink and Norman Wilkinson's quartet winning well to secure an fine overall away win, nine points to Cowbridge and five to Rumney.

Rink scores: Brian Williams, Ken Payne, Colin Wilson and Bob Penn lost 19-22; Terry Dunsworth, John Collin, Steve Close and Norman Wiilkinson won 22-13; Ron Dobie, John Trott, Clive Pritchard and Dennis Snellling lost 18-22; Alun Jordon, Rob Lewis, Andrew Morgan and Roger Barwick drew 18-18. Match score: Cowbridge 77, Rumney 75.

All in all, a good week for Cowbridge Bowling Club!

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